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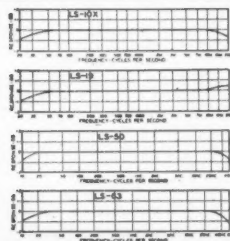
## TYPICAL UNITS

### LINEAR STANDARD series

Linear Standard units represent the acme from the standpoint of uniform frequency response, low wave form distortion, thorough shielding and dependability. LS units have a guaranteed response within 1db. from 20 to 20,000 cycles.

Hum balanced coil structures and multi-alloy shielding, where required, provide extremely low inductive pickup.

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**LS-10X Shielded Input**  
Multiple line (50, 200, 250, 500/600, etc.) to 50,000 ohms ... multiple shielded.

**LS-19 Plate to Two Grids**  
Primary 15,000 ohms.  
Secondary 95,000 ohms C.T.

**LS-50 Plate to Line**  
15,000 ohms to multiple line ... +15 db. level.

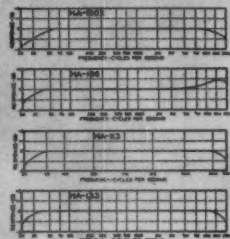
**LS-63 P.P. Plates to Voice Coil**  
Primary 10,000 C.T. and 6,000 C.T. suited to Williamson, MLF, ul-linear circuits.  
Secondary 1.2, 2.5, 5, 7.5, 10, 15, 20, 30 ohms. 20 watts.



**CASE** LS-1 LS-2 LS-3  
Length 3 1/4" 4-7/16" 5-13/16"  
Width 2 3/4" 3 1/4" 5"  
Height 3 1/4" 4-3/16" 4-11/16"  
Unit Wt. 3 lbs. 7.5 lbs. 15 lbs.

### HIPERMALLOY series

This series provides virtually all the characteristics of the Linear Standard group in a more compact and lighter structure. The frequency response is within 1 db. from 30 to 20,000 cycles. Hipermalloy nickel iron cores and hum balanced core structures provide minimum distortion and low hum pickup. Input transformers, maximum level +10db. Circular terminal layout and top and bottom mounting.

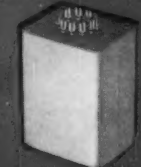


**HA-100X Shielded Input**  
Multiple line to 60,000 ohm grid ... tri-alloy shielding for low hum pickup.

**HA-108 Plate to Two Grids**  
15,000 ohms to 135,000 ohms in two sections ... +12 db. level.

**HA-113 Plate to Line**  
15,000 ohms to multiple line ... +12 db. level ... 0 DC in primary.

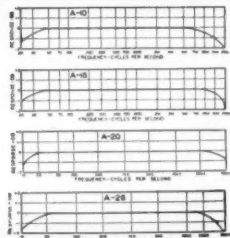
**HA-133 Plate (BC) to Line**  
15,000 ohms to multiple line ... +15 db. level ... 8 Ma. DC in primary.



**CASE** HA-1 HA-2  
Length 2 3/4" 3-1/8"  
Width 1-15/16" 2-13/16"  
Height 3 1/4" 3 3/4"  
Unit Weight 2 lbs. 3 lbs.

### ULTRA COMPACT series

UTC Ultra Compact audio units are small and light in weight, ideally suited to remote amplifier and similar compact equipment. The frequency response is within 2 db. from 30 to 20,000 cycles. Hum balanced coil structure plus high conductivity die cast case provides good inductive shielding. Maximum operating level is +7db. Top and bottom mounting as well as circular terminal layout are used in this series as well as the ones described above.



**A-10 Line to Grid**  
Multiple line to 50,000 ohm grid.

**A-18 Plate to Two Grids**  
15,000 ohms to 80,000 ohms, primary and secondary both split.

**A-20 Mixing Transformer**  
Multiple line to multiple line for mixing mikes, lines, etc.

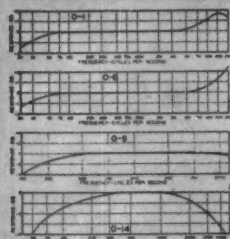
**A-26 P.P. Plates to Line**  
30,000 ohms plate to plate, to multiple line.



**A CASE**  
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Width 1 1/4"  
Height 2"  
Unit Weight 1/2 lb.

### OUNCER series

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**O-1 Line to Grid**  
Primary 50, 200/250, 500/600 ohms to 50,000 ohm grid.

**O-6 Plate to Two Grids**  
15,000 ohms to 95,000 ohms C.T.

**O-9 Plate (BC) to Line**  
Primary 15,000 ohms, Secondary 80, 200/250, 500/600.

**O-14 80:1 Line to Grid**  
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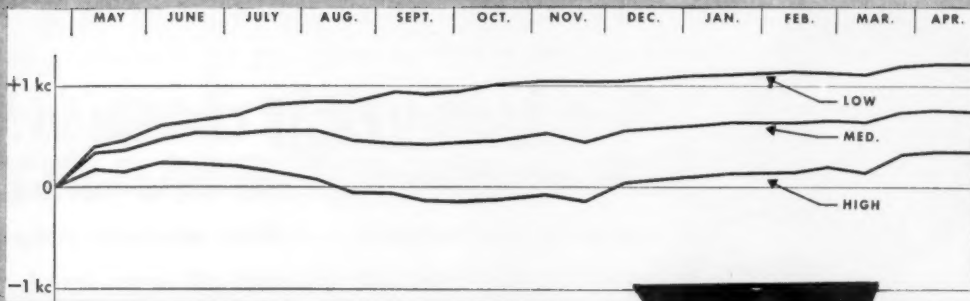
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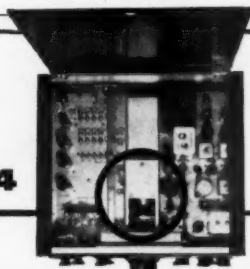
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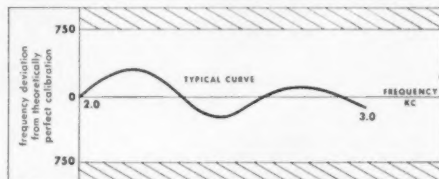
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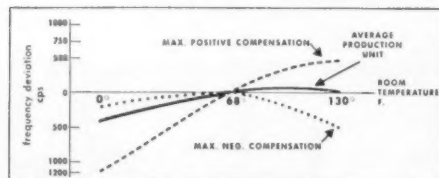
Exceptional frequency stability is another reason why Collins amateur equipment sets performance standards. To develop oscillators capable of maintaining frequency stability over a long period of time, Collins constantly carries on oscillator aging tests. In these tests, groups of oscillators produced with different materials and techniques are operated over one and two year periods. The frequency drift of the high, middle and low frequencies is charted on an aging curve. The aging curve shown above charts the performance of a particular group of oscillators which showed superior long-range stability. Note the end point spread in the curve (1.955—2.955) is less than 1 kc. In other words, after continuous operation for one year, the frequency difference between the high and low ends was only 900 cycles. Oscillators with the changes indicated necessary by these tests were incorporated and are one reason why you get outstanding year-to-year frequency stability in Collins amateur equipment.

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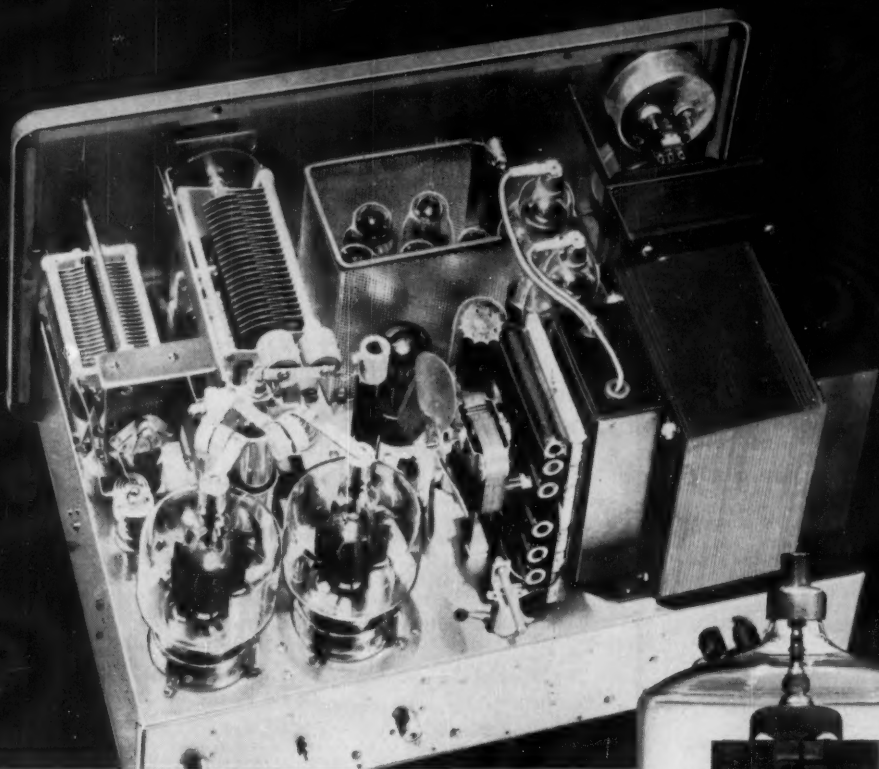
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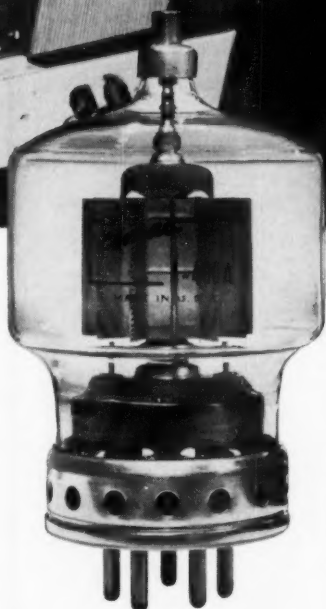
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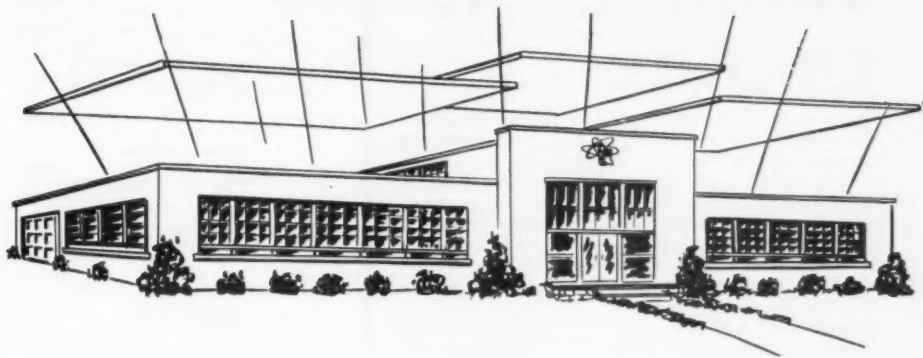
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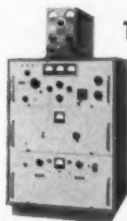
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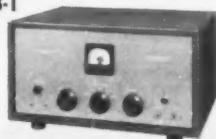
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# "It Seems to Us..."



## SWITCH TO SAFETY

Two recent reports of death by electrocution have forcibly reminded us that amateur radio equipment must be treated with respect and caution. This is not to say that you must be afraid of your gear, nor should your family have to worry because of the nature of your hobby, but there should be an awareness of what is involved. Unfortunately, however, the old saw "familiarity breeds contempt" is all too true. Probably all of us at one time or another have been guilty of making a "temporary" hookup, in which there were a few exposed connections or terminals which carried more than a hundred volts or so. Likewise, the prevalence of 110-volt juice in every household has caused even that low voltage to be treated with far less caution than is wise.

So you think that low voltage is harmless? Well, bear in mind that it isn't the voltage that kills you, but the current. And Ohm's law applies to you just as much as it does to your radio equipment.

Some figures supplied through the courtesy of the National Safety Council and the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company tell the story very clearly. Dry skin has an average resistance of 100,000 to 600,000 ohms, while wet skin as a resistance of only 1000 ohms. Internal body resistance from hand to foot is roughly 400 to 600 ohms, while the ear-to-ear resistance is approximately 100 ohms. So, with 120 volts and a skin resistance plus internal resistance of some 1200 ohms, the result would be a current of 100 ma. That isn't much? Look at the table below for the effects of various currents passing through the human body.

### Safe Current Values

1 ma.: causes no sensation — not felt.

1 to 8 ma.: Sensation of shock, but not painful. The individual can release his contact at will, as muscular control is not lost.

### Unsafe Current Values

8 to 15 ma.: Painful shock; individual can let go at will. Control is not lost.

15 to 20 ma.: Painful shock. Muscular control of adjacent muscles is lost. The individual cannot let go.

20 to 75 ma.: Painful shock. Severe muscular contractions with breathing extremely difficult.

100 to 200 ma.: Painful shock, causing ventricular fibrillation of the heart. This is "irregular twitching of the wall of the ventricle of the heart." It is a fatal heart condition, for which there is no known remedy or resuscitation. It means DEATH!

200 ma. or over: Severe burns, severe muscular contractions, so severe that chest muscular reaction clamps the heart and stops it for the duration of shock. This reaction prevents ventricular fibrillation. Artificial respiration should be administered immediately and in most cases the victim can be revived.

Thus, current is the killing factor in electrical shock, and the voltage is important only in that it determines how much current will flow through a given body resistance. What to do? Be careful, and "Switch to Safety."

Do you work on the rig only when all voltages are turned off? (even the 110 can kill) Does your family know where the main switch is, so that all power to the transmitter and receiver can be killed if you get into trouble? Does someone in the family know how to administer artificial respiration? (See QST for July, 1956, p. 65.) Are all racks and chassis grounded for protection against accidental shorts?

Ham radio is fun, but don't make fun of its dangers.

## ALWAYS BE CAREFUL

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(A) Kill all transmitter circuits completely before touching anything behind the panel.

(B) Never wear 'phones while working on the transmitter.

(C) Never pull test arcs from transmitter tank circuits.

(D) Don't shoot trouble in a transmitter when tired or sleepy.

(E) When working on the transmitter, avoid bodily contact with metal racks or frames, radiators, damp floors or other grounded objects.

(F) Keep one hand in your pocket.

(G) Develop your own safety technique. Take time to be careful.

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**Death Is Permanent!**

# Hamfest Calendar

**Kentucky** — The Blue Grass Amateur Radio Club will have its annual hamfest on Sunday, Sept. 29, at the Keeneland Racing Park in Lexington. Further details are available from W4PRT.

**Manitoba** — The Amateur Radio League of Manitoba, in cooperation with the Winnipeg Sports Car Club and the Model Aircraft League of Manitoba, will hold a hamfest over the Labor Day week end. Besides the usual hamfest activities, there will be demonstrations of sports cars and model aircraft. For further details, contact Al Jebb, VE4TJ, 1115 Sherburn St., Winnipeg.

**Missouri** — The Southwest Missouri Amateur Radio Club will sponsor a hamfest in Springfield beginning at 0900 on Sept. 8, at Fasnacht Park. Registration fee will be \$0.50, with free buffet. There will be a transmitter hunt, an s.a.b. demonstration, and a talk by the SCM.

**New Jersey** — The South Jersey Radio Association will hold its annual picnic on Sunday, Sept. 8, at Grenloch Park on Route 42 near Blackwood. Registration starts at 1100, with v.h.f. transmitter hunts starting at noon. Activities for the whole family, including swimming. Pre-registration \$1.00, at the gate \$1.50, for single ham or family. Contact Win Davis, W2LBX, Martin Ave., Merchantville, N. J. Talk-in transmitters will be on 75, 10, 6 and 2.

**New York** — The 13th annual Hamfest and Ladies Night of the Oneida area hams will be held on Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Masonic Temple Dining Room, 230 Main St., Oneida. Admission is \$3.00 per person, by advance registration only, and is limited to the dining hall capacity of 150 persons. Registration begins at 5 p.m., with the banquet at 7 p.m. Make all reservations prior to Sept. 26 by contacting Walter L. Babcock, W2RXW, 405 Sayles St., Oneida.

**North Carolina** — The annual hamfest of the Shelby Radio Club will be held on Sunday, Sept. 1, at Brackett's Cedar Park, 14 miles north of Shelby on State Highway 10. Southern fried chicken, "hush puppies" with all the trimmings, all you can eat. Swap table and auction. Entertainment and contests. Talk-in on 3865 and 29,000. For map, further info, and dope on hotel/motel reservations, contact Malcolm E. Spangler, Box 481, 509 Suttle St., Shelby.

**Ohio** — 20th Annual Stag Hamfest on Sunday, Sept. 8, sponsored by the Greater Cincinnati Amateur Radio Assn. The location is two miles south of Greenhills, on Winton Road, at Kolping Grove. Registration \$2.50 at the gate, which provides you with hot dogs all day long, donuts and coffee until noon, beer and pop served all day, and full picnic dinner and supper (all you can eat). Rain or shine. Games, contests, radio-controlled model plane demonstration. For further information, contact Paul R. Wolf, W8IVE, 741 Delta Ave., Cincinnati 26.

**Ohio** — The Findlay Radio Club will hold its annual old-fashioned hamfest on Sunday, Sept. 8, at Riverside Park. Advance registration is \$1.00; \$1.50 at the gate. W8FT talk-in on 3812 kc. Swap shop, contests. Concessions will be operating. Bring your family and your picnic basket. For advance registration and further information, contact Dick Corbin, 855 Summit St., Findlay.

**Quebec** — On Sept. 21 the Montreal Amateur Radio Club will hold its annual hamfest in Victoria Hall, Westmount. There will be a Friday night tour of the Molson Brewery, for those who arrive early, and a banquet on Saturday night. Registration \$5.00 each. For further information contact Mr. J. L. Miller, VE2TA, 535 Lansdowne Ave., Westmount 6.

## Re the National Convention

Say, those of you attending the National Convention will be glad to hear that there is a city-owned parking lot near the Palmer House which will help keep your expenses down. If you drive, try the Monroe Street Municipal parking lot, east of Michigan Avenue, on Monroe St. It is only three blocks east of the Palmer House, and will also be the site of the Mobile judging contest.

## A.R.R.L. SOUTH DAKOTA STATE CONVENTION

**Huron, South Dakota — September 21-22**

The Huron Amateur Radio Club is sponsoring the South Dakota State Amateur Radio Convention to be held September 21 and 22 in Huron. The two-day affair will be highlighted by talks and demonstrations in the fields of transistors, single side band and v.h.f. communications. Other strictly-ham activities will include a hidden transmitter hunt, mobile-judging and talks by League officials. For the XYL and YL not interested in amateur radio, special ladies' activities will be featured.

No matter what your interest, you'll find the program entertaining and instructive. The pre-registration fee of \$6.00 and the at-the-door registration fee of \$6.50 includes tickets for a "Chuck Wagon" feed on Saturday evening and the Sunday afternoon banquet. The club will be glad to handle hotel and motel reservations. For details, write Huron Amateur Radio Club, Box 1234, Huron, South Dakota.

## ARRL MIDWEST DIVISION

**Kansas City, Kansas — September 21-22**

The 1957 ARRL Midwest Division Convention will be held under the sponsorship of the Johnson County Amateur Radio Club at the Town House Hotel, Kansas City, September 21 and 22. Headquarters Representatives will discuss current problems. Special sessions will be held for Novices and Technicians and for those interested in DX, traffic handling, ultra-high frequencies, the earth satellite, Operation Smoke-puff, and IGY. A special display of radioteletype in action will be presented by the Midwest Amateur Radio Teletype Society, featuring many different models. The drill team from Salina, Kansas, will conduct an initiation ceremony for the Royal Order of the Wouff Hong at Midnight Saturday, under the direction of W0MVG.

Advance registrations are \$10.00 per person. Contact Jim McCoy, W0LQV, 4844 Booth St., Kansas City 3, Kansas. After September 7, registration will be \$12.50. Make reservations for accommodations directly with the hotel.

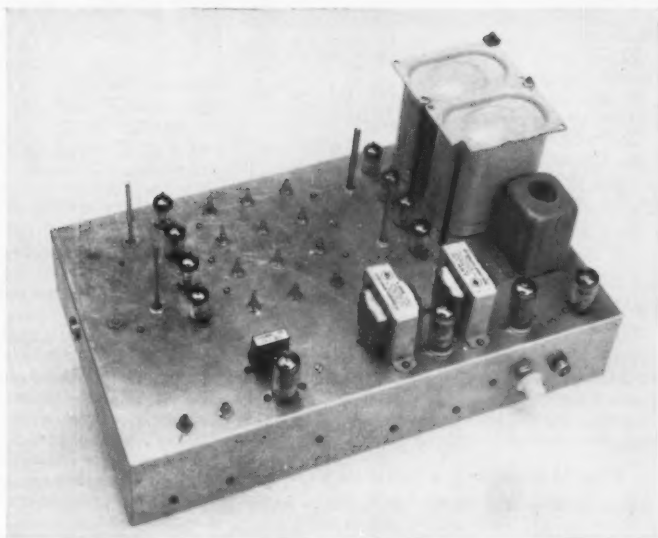
## COMING A.R.R.L. CONVENTIONS

August 30-31-Sept. 1 — ARRL National Convention, Chicago, Illinois  
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September 21-22 — Midwest Division, Kansas City, Kansas  
September 21-22 — South Dakota State, Huron, South Dakota  
October 18-19 — Ontario Province, Toronto, Ontario  
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**SEE YOU AT THE A.R.R.L. NATIONAL CONVENTION IN CHICAGO, LABOR DAY WEEK END**



The "third method" exciter built by WIPNB was laid out for easy circuit modification during experimental work, and is therefore considerably larger than would be necessary in a "final" design. The audio circuits are along the front and the balanced modulators occupy the rear section of the chassis.



## The Third Method of S.S.B.

### *How It Works in Theory and Practice*

BY HOWARD F. WRIGHT,\* WIPNB

THE SINGLE side-band issue of the *Proceedings of the IRE* contains a thought-provoking article entitled, "A Third Method of Generating and Detecting Single Sideband Signals."<sup>1</sup> The circuit is interesting in that, although the balanced modulators, filtering, and phasing are individually commonplace in s.s.b. techniques, the way they are used here is unique. It is quite unlike present practice.

Fig. 1 is the diagram of the basic "third method" generator. A common source of audio is parallel fed to two ordinary balanced modulators. The carrier signal for these first modulators—and this is novel—is centered in the speech range at 1800 cycles. The carrier voltages are in quadrature.

Each modulator is followed by an identical low-pass filter designed to pass frequencies below the first carrier at 1800 cycles and reject those above that frequency.

The output of each filter feeds another balanced modulator. The quadrature carrier voltage for these second modulators is at the desired r.f. output frequency. The r.f. outputs of these

modulators are combined by series connection of the links.

The circuit will be discussed further, but first let's take a look at the claims for this method:

- 1) It does not require sharp-cutoff filters.
- 2) No wide-band phase-shift networks are needed.
- 3) Faulty phasing and balancing doesn't cause unwanted energy to fall outside the channel; instead, inverted in-channel energy appears.

Through a method of side-band folding and a.f. filtering, the system discussed here generates a single-side-band signal having the unique feature that the suppressed side band is in the same channel as the transmitted side band. This "third method," devised by D. K. Weaver, produces the s.s.b. signal directly on the desired output frequency, but does not require wide-band audio phase-shift networks.

\* 55 Sigourney St., Bristol, Conn.

<sup>1</sup> Weaver, "A Third Method of Generation and Detection of Single-Sideband Signals," *Proceedings of the IRE*, Dec., 1956.

4) Undesired signal components are at least 30 db. down.

5) The s.s.b. signal can be generated at any desired radio frequency.

6) Operation can be bilateral; that is, the method also can be used for s.s.b. reception.

7) Quality is good.

8) The unit can be small and rugged.

Fig. 2 shows the speech spectrum to be applied to the system. These frequencies heterodyne



Fig. 2 — Speech spectrum considered in the system described.

(modulate) with the 1800-cycle first carrier in each initial modulator. Except for the quadrature phase shift, the outputs of both modulators are identical. For the present we need consider only one.

### First Modulator and Low-Pass Filter

Fig. 3 shows the output spectrum of either

initial modulator. Notice that the upper side band of this modulation process (sum frequency)

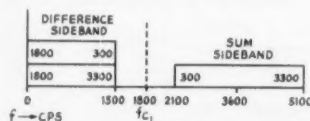


Fig. 3 — Output spectrum of first balanced modulator.

occupies a conventional relation to the 1800-cycle carrier,  $f_{c1}$ . The lower side band (difference frequency) is folded upon itself. This occurs because there can be no "minus frequencies" and because the carrier is within the speech range. For the latter reason there are two speech frequencies — one above, and one below 1800 cycles — which mix to produce identical frequencies in the modulator output range of 0 to 1500 cycles. This is shown graphically in Fig. 4. Here, each frequency in the difference side band may represent either of two original audio frequencies. The exception is 0 cycles (d.c.), which now represents

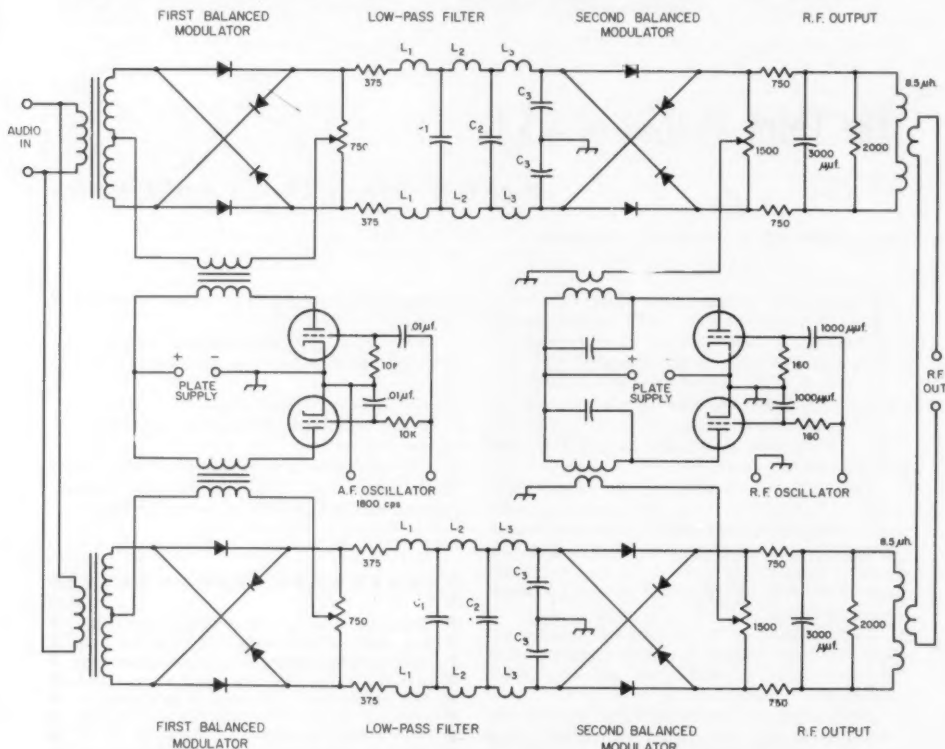


Fig. 1 — Circuit of the "third method" single-side-band generator (Weaver, *Proc. IRE*, December, 1956). Constants of output circuits of second balanced modulators (3000  $\mu$ f. and 8.5  $\mu$ h.) and the RC values in the r. f. oscillator phase-shift network (160 ohms and 1000  $\mu$ f.) are for an output frequency of 1 Mc. and should be modified appropriately for other output frequencies. Low-pass filter constants are as follows:

$C_1$  — 0.15  $\mu$ f.  $C_2$  — 0.20  $\mu$ f.  $C_3$  — 0.11  $\mu$ f.  $L_1$  — 27.5 mh.  $L_2$  — 100 mh.  $L_3$  — 75 mh.

original audio of 1800 cycles. Referring to Fig. 1, notice that d.c. coupling is used between first and second modulators so that audio information at and around 1800 cycles will not be destroyed.

Referring again to Fig. 3, we are interested only in the difference side band—below 1500 cycles. The sum side band—above 2100 cycles—must be effectively removed. If it is not removed this band of frequencies will appear in the final signal as a normal, readable, unfolded, "unwanted side band."

The dashed line in Fig. 5 represents the low-pass filter requirements necessary for an arbitrary 40-db. suppression of out-of-channel unwanted side band if the speech range starts at 300 cycles.

### Second-Modulator Operation

The output spectrum passed by the filter is applied to the second modulator. In this case (the second modulator) the carrier is at approximately the desired output frequency. Quadrature phase is also maintained between the carrier voltages applied to both second modulators.

Fig. 6 is the individual output of either second modulator. The signal at this point is a double-side-band suppressed-carrier signal. Both side bands are 1500 cycles wide. However, all 3000 cycles of original audio information is contained in each of these side bands because of the folding effect of the first modulator. Both side bands contain two components. One represents the low half of the original speech and the other, the high.

Both modulators have this same output spectrum. The phase relationship of the individual outputs, due to the quadrature carrier supply to both modulators, is such that combining the outputs of the second modulators results in one component being phased out of each side band. Thus, in Fig. 6, the signal components contained in the shaded areas will be suppressed and those in the clear areas transmitted; or, if either the

audio or r.f. phase is reversed, the opposite will be true. If the components in the unshaded areas are transmitted, an s.s.b. receiver tuned to a synthetic carrier frequency of  $f_{c2} + 1800$  will reproduce a normal audio spectrum. If the components in the shaded areas are used, the receiver would switch side bands and tune to  $f_{c2} - 1800$  for proper demodulation.

Fig. 7 demonstrates the first case and shows the presence and location of the folded-back, unwanted side band. This "unwanted" is due to imperfect phasing. It occupies the same channel as the "wanted."

### Operating Characteristics

Fig. 8 is the complete output spectrum of the final signal. If the receiver is set at  $f_{c2} - 1800$  or  $f_{c2} + 1800$  (depending on the side band transmitted), proper reception of the original audio will result. Any unbalance in the second modulators resulting in leakage of the true suppressed carrier at  $f_{c2}$  will result in an audible 1800-cycle

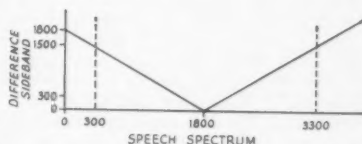


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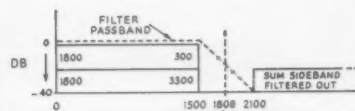


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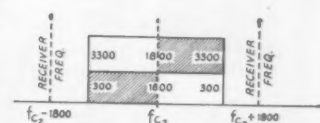


Fig. 6

Fig. 4—Frequency components in the speech band that are spaced equally either side of 1800 cycles are converted to the same frequency in the difference side band. This occurs in the first balanced modulator.

Fig. 5—Audio-frequency filter characteristic for 40-db. suppression of out-of-band components.

Fig. 6—The signal channel contains two sets of components, corresponding to an upper side band (shaded) or lower side band (clear). One set can be eliminated by the r.f. and audio phasing. The receiver local oscillator frequency is set 1800 cycles to one side of the suppressed transmitter carrier frequency. The side to be used depends on the side band transmitted.

Fig. 7—An error in phasing results in an inverted side band superimposed on the desired side-band signal.

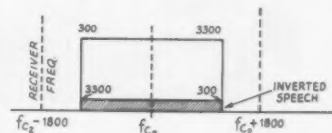
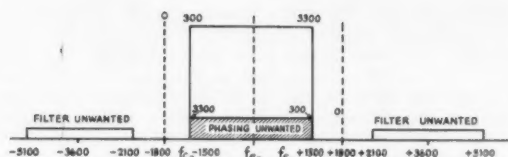


Fig. 7

**Fig. 8—Complete spectrum of the signal, showing the positions of out-of-band unwanted components not suppressed by the low-pass audio filters.**



tone. Notice that the out-of-channel groups marked "filter unwanted" are a function of filter performance. The shaded area indicating in-channel inverted signal is a function of phasing adjustment.

Single-frequency steady signals that tune like carriers will appear at  $f_{c2} - 1800$  and  $f_{c2} + 1800$  (the spots of proper receiver tuning) if the original audio frequency carrier at 1800 cycles is not perfectly nulled out in the first pair of balanced modulators.

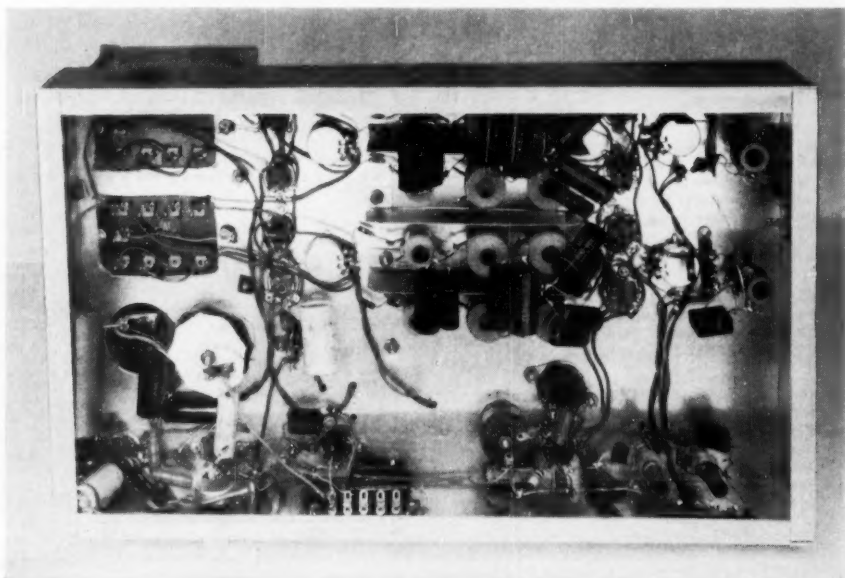
The novel features of the "third method" aroused considerable interest among my s.s.b. friends. There was much speculation as to how the system would work and sound. Accordingly, having tried everything from n.f.m. to "super-modulation," I decided to give the "third method" a try. Because of uncertainty as to the outcome and a desire for cheap, speedy results, I didn't build a complete exciter but just a basic unit which could be connected to an existing exciter. The results are shown in the photograph. Since the parts were largely "scrounged" from interested bystanders and any part that would work, regardless of size or shape, was used, no conclusion as to the possibilities of the system in terms of bulk or com-

plexity should be drawn from the picture.

The basic circuit was followed closely. Minor changes included changing the crystal diodes to tubes, moving the output frequency to 455 kc and changing the phase splitter of the second oscillator to critically-coupled tuned circuits. A dual-triode audio stage is followed by a low-pass audio filter and circuitry to attenuate lows. The 1800-cycle oscillator uses a toroid-wound inductance. The transformers supplying audio are 500-ohm line-to-line, and plate-to-line transformers supply 1800-cycle carrier. The output tuned circuits were scaled down to 455 kc.

When complete, the unit was coupled into the i.f. stages of the existing 20-kc. filter rig. The resulting signal was examined and adjustments made using the highly selective station receiver, calibrated attenuator, and oscilloscope which have been used for several years to accurately measure band width and relative amplitudes of various signal components of the transmitted and incoming signals.

The "third method" experimental exciter performed as follows: Referring to Fig. 8, the suppressed carrier at  $f_{c2}$  is nulled out by balancing the two second modulators. No difficulty was experienced in obtaining a null of at least 40 db.,



The components clustered at top center are for the low-pass filters.

but any drift in this null results in an audible whistle of 1800 cycles in the received signal.

The carrier-like signals 1800 cycles above and below  $f_{cl}$  are nulled out in the first balanced modulators. Again, there was no trouble in obtaining a null. This null holds better, but the null for both signals didn't occur at exactly the same adjustment—a difficulty that was not enough to prevent obtaining a good signal. It may have been due to some peculiarity of this particular unit.

At first, considerable readable signal in the region marked "filter unwanted" was encountered. Experimentation proved that the original simple constant  $k$  low-pass filters were inadequate for obtaining out-of-channel suppression comparable to that of conventional rigs. Adding a capacitor across the center coil of the filter, to give one  $m$ -derived section, gave vastly improved results, but a better filter designed for sharpest possible cutoff is desirable. Although it is fairly easy to get the desired selectivity at this frequency, the actual slope (in cycles) must be as good as for any conventional filter rig.

When the out-of-channel problem was licked, the phasing aspect was studied. It is extremely interesting to note the effect of differing levels of folded-back side band upon wanted signal intelligibility and distortion. With no suppression of one side band, either signal can be copied, but through fairly heavy interference from the other. Thanks to the inversion of the folded-back side band and the effects of product detection, surprisingly large amounts of unwanted signal can be tolerated without causing undue trouble. When the folded side band is suppressed

20 db, or more it seems to practically disappear as a factor in intelligibility. At 30 db, its effects on voice quality are negligible.

### Conclusions

Many contacts were made using this exciter. The results were excellent. Although all desired adjustments and investigations are not complete some conclusions can be drawn from the work done.

The system is basically capable of producing excellent s.s.b. signals. Although these signals are actually double-side-band suppressed-carrier, the side-band components are so arranged that they tune like and are otherwise indistinguishable from regular single-side-band suppressed-carrier transmissions. Although the system benefits from the extremely low frequency of filter operation, and poor phasing is not ruinous, the actual attenuation *vs.* frequency of the two filters must be as good as in any filter rig.

The big obstacle, at the present state of design, is the complete dependence upon maintaining the null in the balanced modulators to remove the carrier and its resulting audible beat.

Although it can not be foretold what, if any, part the "third method" will play in future s.s.b. voice communication, this article is presented because this system should intrigue anyone interested in the various types of modulation.

I wish to thank those on the 75-meter band whose parts, interest, and encouragement made this an enjoyable project. The charts and graphs accompanying this article were largely prepared by Tony Sivo, W2FYT, as a result of early discussions concerning the "third method."

### Silent Keys

IT is with deep regret that we record the passing of these amateurs:

W1AKU, Gordon S. Dayton, Winsted, Conn.  
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WN1NYS, Ernest W. Sims, Bradford, R. I.  
K2MFD, Leonard E. Park, Long Beach, N. Y.  
W3BCL, Albert Wolni, Pittsburgh, Pa.  
W3AZG, Frederic A. Leonard, Coraopolis, Pa.  
WN3ERT, Warren J. Hunter, Allentown, Pa.  
W4EAK, Walter R. Hinton, Jr., Greensboro, N. C.  
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W6BLY, Ira J. Schab, Whittier, Calif.  
K6DYO, Gilbert L. Benze, Hawthorne, Calif.  
W6FMT, Roland W. Davidson, Whittier, Calif.  
W6LEC, Hubert Sherman, Whittier, Calif.  
W7BDP, James H. Foster, Butte, Mont.  
W8WET, John W. Adamson, Port Austin, Mich.  
W9KDL, Leonard L. Schmirring, Sae City, Iowa  
W9FMD, Arnold N. Svarde, Duluth, Minn.  
W9TRE, Everett S. Stokes, Sidney, Nebr.  
W9KTE, Alvis E. Hagans, Norton, Kan.  
W9AFU, David F. Michael, Springfield, Mo.  
ZL1MG, Ernie Parkin, Waigeeke, N. Z.



25 Years Ago  
this month

### September 1932

... "An Intermediate-Frequency and Audio Unit for the Single-Signal Superhet" was the lead-off article 25 years ago, to be used in conjunction with the unit described the previous month.

... The "Thirty-Three Watts per Dollar" rig was also featured in this issue, with W6CUH explaining how to get high output with efficiency and safety from a type '52.

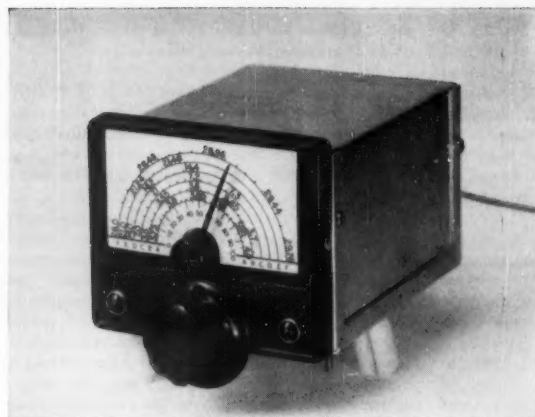
... Another popular article in this issue was the symposium on "Sticks That Have Stuck", being a roundup of various types of masts and an attempt to determine which was best.

... An article about "Science Service Ursigrams" reminds us that cosmic data was being investigated long before the IGY came along.

... In IARU News are reported newly-adopted rules for the issuance of WAC certificates—rules which have continued unchanged to this date. Incidentally, for the first half of 1932 a total of 69 WACs had been issued. That is somewhat under the current rate!

... And there were more reports on the use of 56 Mc. at the National Glider Meet.





The remotely-tuned v.f.o. is enclosed in a Bud Mini-box (CU-3005) measuring 4 by 5 by 3 inches. Pilot-lamp jewels mounted at the lower corners of the Millen type 10039 dial indicate the tuning range for which the v.f.o. is adjusted. Calibration for the 11-meter band, added after the unit had been photographed, now appears at the right end of the 21-Mc. scale. The control shaft for the range switch,  $S_1$ , protrudes through the bottom of the box.

## V.F.O. Control for the ARRL Model 6-60-90

**S**PACE under the dash is at a premium in most low-slung cars of modern design. In fact, the installation of a completely "up front" mobile station may be nearly impossible in some cars unless one turns the front end of the vehicle into a "no-passengers-allowed" compartment. At least, that was the situation encountered in our '56 hard-top while attempting to dash-mount a Gonset G66B, remote-control heads for Master Mount and Radfred antenna gear, James power supply, control panel and the ARRL Model 6-60-90.<sup>1</sup> After looking over the pile of equipment, and the mounting space available, it was decided that the two larger units — the power supply and the transmitter — would be mounted in the trunk so as to make at least a little leg room available for the front-seat riders.

It was only natural that this decision should lead to thoughts of a remotely-tuned v.f.o. for the transmitter. Although we have no objection to a short trip to the rear whenever the transmitter is to be switched to another band, we did feel that a v.f.o. would be of little value unless it could be controlled from the driver's seat.

The compact unit to be described is the outcome of these considerations. It is small enough to be tucked out of the way under the dash, and it requires no power other than that used by a single pilot lamp. The crystal-oscillator tube of the main transmitter is used as the v.f.o. tube and all of the connections between the v.f.o. and the transmitter are supplied by a single length of Twinax cable. A simple switching arrangement adjusts the circuit for operating any one of three frequency ranges. The first of these

tunes 3370 to 3405 kc. for transmitter output at 11 meters, and the second and third ranges cover 3500 to 3720 kc. and 3720 to 4000 kc., respectively. Splitting the 3500- to 4000-kc. band in this manner provides excellent band spread for the higher-frequency bands (7 through 28 Mc.) and spreads the 75-meter spectrum out over 70 per cent of the tuning dial. An indicator circuit ganged with the band switch keeps the operator aware of the v.f.o. range in use.

### The Circuit

The circuit diagram of the v.f.o. is shown in Fig. 1. Actually, the circuit is nothing more than a high- $C$  tank that may be used to convert a standard grid-plate crystal oscillator into a Colpitts v.f.o. Since the capacitance of the remote-control cable is across the tuned circuit,

### High $C$ in a Remote Tuning Head

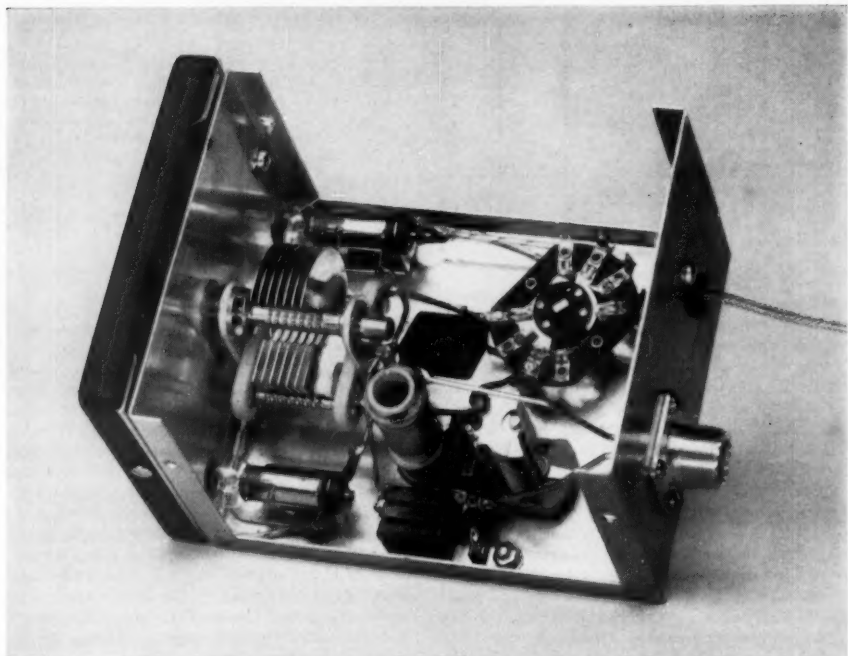
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Here is a remote v.f.o. tuning unit for the ARRL model 6-60-90 Mobile Transmitter. Although it was constructed especially for that particular rig, it may be used with almost any transmitter equipped with a grid-plate crystal oscillator. It's a compact unit designed for under-the-dash mounting and the remote frequency control of a trunk-mounted transmitter.

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<sup>1</sup> Chambers, "The ARRL Model 6-60-90 Mobile Transmitter," QST, August, 1957.





The main tuning capacitor,  $C_3$ , mounted on metal pillars, is seen at the left in this interior view of the v.f.o. Variable padder  $C_2$  and fixed capacitor  $C_4$  are to the right of  $L_1$ .  $C_6$  and  $C_5$  are above and below  $L_1$ , respectively, and the range switch is in the upper right-hand corner. The output receptacle is mounted on the wall at the right along with the rubber grommet for the battery cable connected to  $S_{1A}$ .

All of the wiring except that for the hot leads to the pilot lamps is done with No. 14 tinned wire. Connections should be point-to-point with the shortest possible length. A tie-point strip to the lower right of  $L_1$  (interior view) supports the junction of  $C_4$ ,  $C_5$  and the lead to  $J_1$ .

#### Testing

The v.f.o. unit should be connected to the transmitter via the fifteen-foot length of Twinax cable. (Incidentally, remember to remove the crystal from the rig.) An a.c. filament transformer may be used to power  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  if you want to check out the indicator circuit while bench testing. Warm up a receiver of known calibration. A high-resistance voltmeter connected across the 68K grid resistor of  $V_2$  in the transmitter will facilitate alignment.

Only the oscillator and buffer-doubler tubes of the transmitter need be activated at this time if a high-resistance voltmeter is available for checking d.c. voltage across the buffer-doubler grid leak. In this case, the driver-multiplier tube,  $V_3$ , may be temporarily put out of action by either turning the excitation control to minimum or by turning the mode switch to the v.f.o. set position. If a voltmeter is not available, the transmitter can be lined up by observing final grid current. However, receiver blocking will be less of a prob-

lem if  $V_3$  can be disabled.  $V_5$ ,  $V_7$  and  $V_8$  should be removed from their sockets to prevent excessive screen dissipation (these tubes are without plate voltage when the amplifier plate supply is turned off).

Tune the receiver to 4 Mc., turn the b.f.o. on, switch the v.f.o. to the highest range and apply power to the exciter. Adjust the bandspread capacitor of the v.f.o. tank to nearly minimum capacitance—about 98 on the Millen dial—and then adjust  $L_1$  until a beat note is heard. Tune the receiver a few kc. off to either side of 4 Mc. and listen for any additional signals that may be caused by oscillator squegging. This occurred in the original circuit, but it was quickly cured by lowering the grid-leak resistance of the oscillator tube ( $V_1$ ) to 39K.

Next, rotate  $C_3$  to nearly full capacitance—about 3 on the dial—and then retune the receiver to the v.f.o. signal. The new frequency should be 3720 kc. or slightly lower. Now, switch the tank to the next lower range, tune the receiver to 3500 kc. and adjust the variable padder  $C_2$  until the v.f.o. signal is heard. This should occur with  $C_2$  set at approximately 90 per cent of its total capacitance. With  $C_3$  rotated to nearly minimum capacitance, the oscillator signal should show up at 3720 kc. or a bit higher when the re-

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# Transistors in Speech Equipment

## Design Notes and An All-Transistor Speech Amplifier

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• Low-level audio amplification is one spot where transistors ought to find considerable application in ham gear. Compactness and low power consumption are easily achieved. And the all-battery power supply offers an easy answer to the hum problem!

ALTHOUGH TRANSISTORS have been on the market for some time, amateurs generally seem to be reluctant to make proper use of these extremely economical devices. This may be due to the lack of detailed circuit descriptions in amateur radio journals, and it is for this reason that this article has been written. The author will attempt to explain the design of transistorized amplifiers, and circuit details of a three-stage audio amplifier and a tone oscillator will be given.

By way of introduction, it must be emphasized that transistors can only be used within their limitations. At the present state of the art, transistors are suitable only for low-level operation. Thus in the case of modulation equipment for ham radio transmitters the speech amplifier is the first part that can be simplified, without loss of performance, by using transistors. In fact, the amplifier to be described has been used as the speech amplifier for a clamp-tube modulator, and performed satisfactorily in every respect.

### Design Considerations

Engineering textbooks describe the design of

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This amplifier, built in the QST laboratory, uses the circuit of Fig. 2 but incorporates transistors of U. S. manufacture. The input switching circuit shown in Fig. 2 was omitted, the input coupling capacitor being connected to the microphone input terminals (a phono connector) through a 0.5 megohm resistor to provide a load for a crystal or ceramic microphone. Using G.E. type 2N107 transistors, the gain is sufficient to overdrive the last stage even though no pre-amplifier is used. The peak audio voltage across the secondary of the output transformer is 10 volts, with negligible distortion, using a 7.5-volt penlite-cell supply. The transformer is 3-to-1 ratio interstage type with 10,000-ohm primary. It was necessary to load the secondary with a 100,000-ohm resistor to provide the proper primary load for the transistor and to minimize distortion in the last stage.

Other inexpensive transistors — General Transistor type GT-222 and Raytheon CK-722 — were used in the same circuit with similar results.

transistor amplifiers in detail and readers interested in a more theoretical approach may consult them.<sup>1,2</sup> Although it is not intended to rehash in this article the fundamentals of transistor circuitry,<sup>3</sup> some introductory comments may not be amiss, with particular reference to the needs of the amateur. The design considerations of transistorized gear may briefly be listed as follows:

- 1) Care must be taken to ensure linear operation by selecting the position of the quiescent operating point.
- 2) The circuitry has to be designed for minimum effects of ambient temperature.
- 3) It is not advisable to operate transistors at potentials higher than the maximum data published.

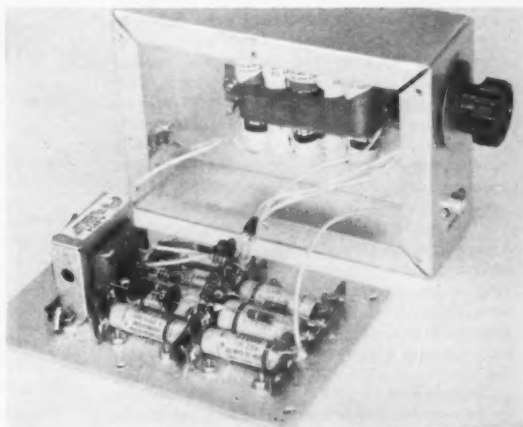
The first point is well known from vacuum-tube technique, and characteristics published by manufacturers allow suitable operating points to be determined. Single-battery operation being preferable for convenience, the calculation of resistances for an appropriate bias network is outlined later.

The second point calls for some effective temperature compensation to be provided in the electronic circuitry. In other words, the bias of each stage has to be stabilized with respect to temperature variations. The effect of temperature upon transistor characteristics is considerable, particularly so far as the collector current at zero

<sup>1</sup> Shea, *Principles of Transistor Circuits*, Wiley, New York.

<sup>2</sup> Terman, *Electronic and Radio Engineering*, McGraw-Hill, New York.

<sup>3</sup> Basic principles were discussed by Priebe, "Transistor Operating Characteristics," *QST*, Feb., 1957. — Ed.



emitter current is concerned. Stabilizing circuits will be discussed below.

With reference to the third point, excessive operating voltages do not necessarily result in a complete failure of the transistor. The general performance, however, is likely to deteriorate if the transistor is exposed to such treatment. The temperature rise at the junction is a function of the dissipated power, a typical value being 0.4 degree Centigrade per milliwatt collector dissipation. The maximum junction temperature is usually given as 45 degrees Centigrade, or 113 degrees Fahrenheit. The author recalls one experiment in which the base-emitter section of a transistor was unintentionally subjected to a current far in excess of the specified limit. Subsequently, the transistor assumed a temperature of approximately 200 degrees Centigrade for a period of about three minutes. This particular transistor still performs well in a low-level oscillator, although its output is somewhat lower than before.

As is undoubtedly known to readers, there are three possible circuit connections of transistors, similar to vacuum-tube practice: common-emitter, common-base, and common-collector, resembling common-cathode, common-grid, and cathode-follower operation, respectively. Theoretical design considerations indicate that the common-base connection features lower input impedance (about 50 to 500 ohms), than the common-emitter connection (around 1000 ohms). On the other hand, the common-collector circuit provides a higher input impedance (about 60,000 ohms). So far as the corresponding optimum load impedances are concerned, typical values are 200,000 ohms, 70,000 ohms, and 2000 ohms for common-base, common-emitter, and common-collector circuits, respectively. It can be proved mathematically that, for cascade operation, the common-emitter configuration is a good compromise.

The question whether a cascade amplifier for the audio frequency range should use transformers or *RC*-coupling between stages is largely one of preference and availability of components. Too many transformers may cause the amplifier to become a somewhat inefficient oscillator, just as in orthodox vacuum-tube technique. Another disadvantage of interstage transformers, particularly midget transformers, may be their cost. On the other hand, straight *RC*-coupling results in some loss of gain, if compared with a properly matched transformer. To achieve the same gain, the mismatch between *RC*-coupled stages necessitates an increase in the number of stages by about 30 per cent. Also, it would seem reasonable to use additional transistors as common-collector matching stages between common-emitter amplifying stages. In practice, however, a cascade of three *RC*-coupled common-emitter stages provides more gain than two *RC*-coupled common-emitter stages with a common-collector matching stage.

Nevertheless, the common-collector configuration is a very useful connection if an input source

of high impedance is to be coupled to a common-emitter transistor, as shown later in this article.

### Stabilization

Fig. 1 illustrates typical bias stabilizing circuits for low-level common-emitter operation.

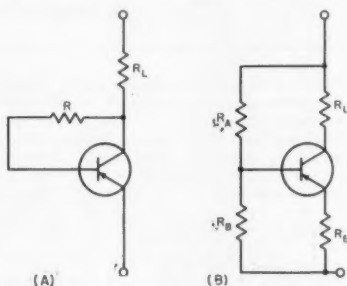


Fig. 1 — Bias and stabilizing circuits for transistors.

In the first circuit, Fig. 1A, stabilization is achieved by resistance feedback between collector and base, the base current being given by the ratio of collector voltage to the resistance connecting the collector and base. In some cases, an emitter resistance may be added.

In Fig. 1B the base bias is produced by a voltage divider  $R_A R_B$ . The emitter resistor  $R_E$  is used for automatic stabilization. This circuit provides optimum stabilization at the expense of higher over-all power consumption. It is ideally suited for low-level amplification, and has been used by the author in the amplifier to be described. Some comments on the theoretical relations of these resistors seem to be worthwhile.

A "stability factor,"  $S$ , which should have a low value, is defined by<sup>1</sup>

$$S = \frac{1 + \frac{R_E}{R_B} + \frac{R_E}{R_A}}{1 - \alpha + \frac{R_E}{R_B} + \frac{R_E}{R_A}} \quad (1)$$

where  $\alpha$  = current amplification factor. The following formulas are used for calculating  $R_E$ ,  $R_A$ , and  $R_B$ :

$$R_E = \frac{\alpha(E - V_c - R_L I_c)}{I_c - I_{c0}} \quad (2)$$

$$R_A = \frac{E(S - 1)}{I_c - S I_{c0}} \quad (3)$$

$$R_B = \frac{S - 1}{\frac{(1 - S + \alpha S)(I_c - I_{c0})}{\alpha(E - V_c - R_L I_c)} - \frac{I_c - S I_{c0}}{E}} \quad (4)$$

where  $R_L$  = load resistance  
 $E$  = supply voltage  
 $V_c$  = collector voltage  
 $I_c$  = collector current } at operating point  
 $I_{c0}$  = collector current at zero emitter current.  
 The emitter resistor,  $R_E$ , has to be bypassed



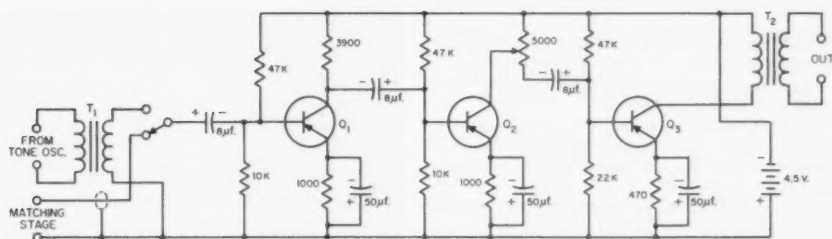


Fig. 2 — Circuit of the all-transistor speech amplifier. Capacitors are electrolytic, 25-volt or lower rating sufficient. Fixed resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt.

Q1 — Philips OC-71.

Q2, Q3 — Philips OC-72.

T1 — Interstage audio, 2 or 3 to 1 ratio, larger winding

connected to tone-oscillator terminals.

T2 — Interstage audio, about 3 to 1 ratio, larger winding connected to output terminals.

so that the impedance of the  $RC$  combination is negligible for all frequencies used. Omission of this bypass capacitor or the use of too low a value would result in feed-back effects similar to those associated with the cathode-resistor bypass in tube circuits.

For completeness' sake, two other possible stabilizing circuits should be mentioned briefly. To maintain a reasonable over-all efficiency in power applications, a temperature-sensitive non-linear device — *e.g.*, a thermistor — is often connected into the bias network. Its characteristic enables some automatic stabilization to take place. Another possibility is the so-called tandem arrangement. This uses a resistance-stabilized transistor which supplies a constant emitter current to a second transistor. However, these circuits are not at all necessary for low-level operation, and since the amplifier under discussion is concerned with low-level audio amplification the resistance stabilization described above is quite satisfactory.

### The Audio Amplifier

The amplifier consists of three cascaded common-emitter stages, and its circuit diagram is given in Fig. 2. The stabilizing circuits are basically identical with the one shown in Fig. 1B, with an average stability factor of  $S=8$  for  $\alpha \approx 0.98$ . The stabilization obtained is sufficient for the purpose of this amplifier. A lower factor — *e.g.*,  $S=2$  — would give better stabilization at the expense of higher over-all power consumption.  $RC$  coupling is used for the input and inter-

mediate stages and the output load is represented by the primary winding of an ordinary interstage transformer. Its secondary is connected to the modulator stage, or any other load.

The transistors utilized are Philips junction triodes OC-71 and OC-72, all operated in Class A. As is general practice with transistor amplifiers, appreciable coupling capacitance must be used to suit the generally low input impedances of transistor stages. Each stage has been carefully designed to provide optimum amplification at the general supply voltage of 4.5 volts, which is taken from a flashlight battery. At the current consumption of 3 to 5 ma. for the entire three-stage amplifier, the life of the battery should be nearly equal to the shelf life.

The last two stages of the amplifier are equipped with OC-72s. These are classified as medium-power transistors, with a permissible dissipation power of 45 milliwatts. In Australia they are commercially available in matched pairs for Class B power operation. However, their characteristics are such that they are also very suitable for single Class A operation, as used in the amplifier under discussion. Of course, OC-71s could be substituted which would result in somewhat less amplification.

Using the primary of an ordinary audio interstage transformer as the output load, the input impedance at the base of the first stage is of the order of 1000 ohms.

A volume control has also been included. As is evident from the circuit diagram, the load resistor of the second stage has been made variable for this purpose.

### Input Matching

The relatively low input impedance of the amplifier requires a matching network of some kind. Dynamic microphones can be matched easily by a suitable transformer. In the case of crystal microphones a special matching stage appears to be the best solution.

As mentioned earlier, a transistor in the common-collector configuration is suitable for matching a high to a low impedance, in analogy to the cathode follower in tube technique. However, with a load impedance of about 1000 ohms the input impedance of this circuit is of the order of 60,000 ohms. This is still a bit too low for

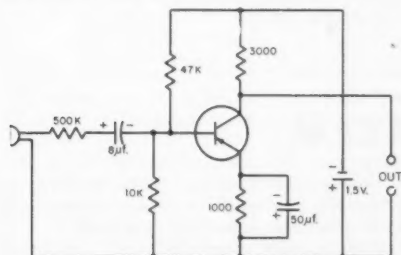


Fig. 3 — Preamplifier circuit for coupling a crystal or other high-impedance microphone to the speech amplifier.

adequately matching a crystal microphone, although the position is definitely improved. The remainder of the load has to be provided by a resistor, resulting in a loss.

Another solution is the use of a common-emitter stage with appreciable resistance in series with the input, in order to match a high-impedance source. The loss in the resistive element is compensated for by the amplification of this stage so that an adequate signal appears at the output of the matching stage. Fig. 3 is the complete circuit diagram of such a matching stage, as used to match a crystal microphone to the input of the three-stage amplifier.

### Tone Oscillator

A detailed description of this part is not necessary, as circuits of transistorized tone oscillators or code-practice oscillators have been published in ham radio journals from time to time. Fig. 4

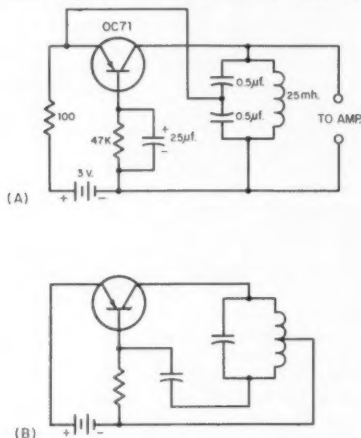


Fig. 4—Audio oscillator circuits. The upper, a "Colpitts," will generate a tone of about 1000 cycles per second. The "Hartley" arrangement is shown below for comparison.

shows two popular LC feedback oscillators. In vacuum-tube practice these oscillators are known as the Colpitts (A) and Hartley (B), respectively.

For m.c.w. and test purposes, an oscillator of the type depicted in Fig. 4A has been included

in the amplifier under discussion. An old Siemens r.f. iron-core coil of 1940 vintage was found to be extremely useful. A maximum number of turns was wound on the three sections of the core (total dimensions: diameter 0.88, height 0.72 inch), resulting in an inductance of approximately 25 millihenrys. The smallest capacitor that could be detected anywhere was also found in the junk-box. It is a center-tapped Bosch metallized-paper capacitor of 1 microfarad, another German disposals components (the author is ex-DL3EC). Of course, both parts can easily be replaced by modern components. Two penlight cells make an appropriate power supply and last for a considerable period at a maximum consumption of 2 milliamperes. The frequency of oscillation is of the order of 1000 cycles per second.

An interstage transformer (about 2.5 to 1, the higher impedance side toward the oscillator) is used to couple the oscillator to the input of the amplifier (see Fig. 2). A double-pole switch at the amplifier input selects the secondary of the transformer or the microphone matching stage.

### Constructional Details

A small chassis was used as the container for the amplifier and its 4.5 volt battery, the oscillator being mounted on top of the chassis. The crystal-microphone matching stage was housed in a small box which also contained its supply, a 1.5-volt dry cell.

The entire setup must be well shielded, particularly if used in connection with a transmitter, in order to counteract any possible r.f. feedback. Likewise, the output cable and the cable from the matching stage must be shielded.

### Performance

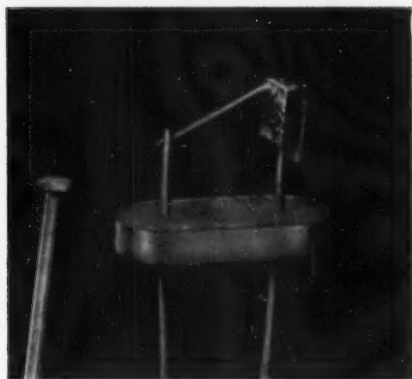
In the several months during which the equipment described in this article has been used its performance has been satisfactory in every respect. In the case of the author's ham station, the unit has been employed as a speech amplifier, its output being connected to the grid of a controlled-carrier modulator, a 12A6, which is used to modulate the p.a. (90 watts input, home-built, pair of 807s). The modulation level obtainable allows a fair amount of volume reserve. The output signals of the microphone matching stage and of the oscillator are of the same order of magnitude, permitting a convenient change-over from m.c.w. to telephony.

## Strays

Hams who are also amateur cinematographers may be interested in participating in an amateur film festival created by K6RWR. Amateur films will be selected for presentation on TV, with panel discussion by professionals from the film industry. For further details, write K6RWR at 210 N. Larchmont, Los Angeles.

During one school year, both W8BWL and KN8BWL were members of the Amateur Radio Club of Shaker Junior High. —W8SLR

KN8EFH tells us that because of his weight (350 lbs.) he announces his call as KN8 Extra Fat Ham.



A spacistor assembly on a transistor-size mount. The base and collector connections correspond to the bar-type connections shown in Fig. 1, while the "whiskers" on top of the semiconductor slab are in the same relative positions as the injector and modulator contacts in Fig. 1. The ordinary pin at the left is for size comparison.

A NEW PRINCIPLE in semiconductor amplifiers has been demonstrated successfully in an experimental device developed in the Raytheon research laboratory. The "spacistor," as it is called, is still in the research stage, but would appear to have a number of basic advantages over transistors for high-frequency applications. Its operation and characteristics are more nearly like those of conventional vacuum tubes than is the case with the transistor, although the spacistor is definitely a semiconductor-type amplifier.

Fig. 1 is a schematic of the spacistor. The usual materials such as germanium or silicon can be used for the body of the assembly, and a small pellet of indium is fused into the body to form a junction similar to that in a junction-type transistor. The collector terminal makes contact with the semiconductor body. A relatively large reverse bias, about 200 volts, is applied between the base and collector so there is a strong electric field but substantially no current in the base-collector circuit. Because of the strong field a small space-charge region forms around the junction, and electrons are introduced into this region through the "injector" contact, by means of a bias voltage applied between the base and injector. These electrons travel to the collector contact (at high speed) so current flows in the injector-collector circuit.

A fourth contact, called the "modulator," is introduced in the space-charge region, and suitably biased with respect to the base and injector. A signal voltage applied in the modulator circuit varies the electron emission from the injector, which compares with the way in which the grid controls the space charge and with it the plate current in a vacuum tube. In further analogy to the vacuum tube, the modulator or input circuit consumes negligible power, but causes an appreciable variation in the electron current, so that an

## The "Spacistor"— a New Semiconductor Amplifier

amplified signal can be taken from the collector.

In spacistors that have been constructed so far, the input (modulator) and output (collector) impedances are both of the order of 30 megohms. The input impedance is high enough to be neglected in most applications, just as in the case of negative-grid vacuum tubes. The output impedance is of the order of 10 or more times that of a pentode tube, making the spacistor a truly constant-current device. Values of modulator-collector transconductance ( $g_m$ ) of 100 to 150 micromhos have been obtained in experimental units—small compared with a.c. type tubes but not unfavorable as compared with small filament-type receiving tubes. The interelectrode capacitance is about 0.5  $\mu\text{f}$ .

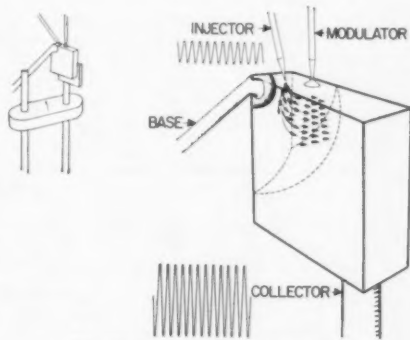


Fig. 1—How the spacistor operates.

It is expected that spacistors will be capable of operating at temperatures several hundred degrees higher than are practical with transistors.

The spacistor is purely a laboratory device at the present time, and there is no indication as to how long it might take to make it a commercial item. It needn't interfere with any of your current plans for using tubes or transistors, therefore—although there's no telling how it may alter the thinking of equipment designers some years from now.

—G. G.

# Greater Selectivity with the C.W. Clipper-Filter

## A Two-Stage Amplifier with Variable Band Width

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• By adding a second stage to the c.w. clipper-filter described in an earlier issue of *QST*, WIPLM obtains a band width of 200 to 600 cycles at 40 db. down. A simple method of varying the selectivity is included.

THE MODERNIZED VERSION of the c.w. clipper-filter described by WICUT in *QST*<sup>1</sup> is an improvement over that originally described by Grammer.<sup>2</sup> However, for c.w. work on today's crowded bands its selectivity is still inadequate. A band width of 100 cycles at 6 db. down does not sufficiently attenuate adjacent signals if the band width at 40 db. down is one to two kc.

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<sup>1</sup> Campbell, "Modernizing the C.W. Clipper-Filter," *QST*, December, 1950, p. 36.

<sup>2</sup> Grammer, "An Accessory for C.W. Reception," *QST*, July, 1950, p. 11.

What is required is a band width of the order of 300 to 500 cycles at 40 db. down.

This band width is easily achieved by means of the audio filter described by WICUT; it only requires the addition of one more stage of filtering, exactly similar to the first stage, and tuned closely to the same frequency.

### Inductors

Fig. 1 shows the circuit with the added filter stage. The WICUT technique of using small power-supply chokes was followed quite successfully except that the bar of "I" laminations lying across the top of the "E" laminations was not removed entirely. Instead, 3 to 5 layers of paper were put between the "E" laminations and the bar of "I" laminations and a nonmetallic clamping arrangement, such as shown in Fig. 2, was used to hold the assembly. The inductances, and hence the resonant frequencies, can now be adjusted by tightening or loosening the clamping screws. The *Q* of the chokes seems to be about

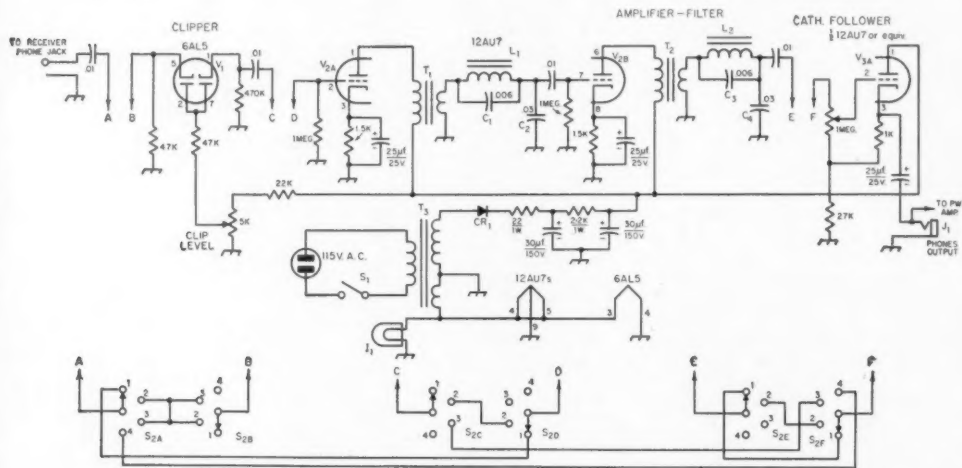


Fig. 1—Circuit of the two-stage clipper-filter. All capacitances are in  $\mu$ f. All 0.01  $\mu$ f. capacitors may be ceramic; capacitors marked with polarity are electrolytic. Others should be tubular plastic or mica. Resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt unless otherwise specified. Switch functions are as follows: Position 1, dual filter alone; Position 2, clipper and dual filter; Position 3, clipper alone; Position 4, straight through with cathode-follower output.

CR1 — 50-ma. selenium rectifier.

I1 — 6.3-volt pilot lamp.

J1 — Open-circuit phone jack.

L1, L2 — 5-h. 65-ma. filter choke; frame removed and choke remounted as described in the text.

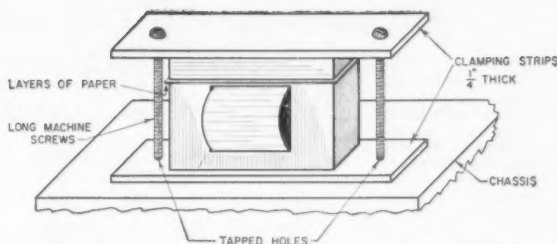
S1 — S.p.s.t. toggle switch.

S2 — 3-section 6-pole 4-position rotary switch, shorting type preferable. (Centralab PA-1020).

T1, T2 — Output transformer: 7000-10,000-ohm primary to 3.2-ohm voice coil (Thordarson 24S52).

T3 — Power transformer: Half-wave; 125 volts, 50 ma.; 6.3 volts, 2 amps. (Stancor PA-8421).

Fig. 2—Sketch showing the method of clamping and tuning the filter inductors. Clamping strips must be of bakelite, phenol, plastic or other suitable insulating material. Metal should not be used.



the same with the air gap increased in this manner as with the "I" laminations removed altogether. Two similar chokes should be used so that their series-resonant frequencies will be close to one another when altered as described.

### Circuit

Two changes were made in the switching circuits described by WICUT. The first position of the switch was changed from filter-clipper to dual filter alone. This seems to offer a characteristic much more useful to this writer than did the filter-clipper characteristic. The receiver output in the straight-through position is connected to the output through the cathode follower. The writer also incorporated in his unit a simple beam power-output stage to drive a speaker.

### Characteristics

The selectivity curves obtained from the unit are shown in Fig. 3. The two series-tuned circuits,  $L_1C_2$  and  $L_2C_4$ , cannot be tuned to exactly the same frequency because excessive ringing results. The two circuits may be tuned about 10 cycles apart, resulting in a very sharp characteristic as shown by Curve 1. A more easily-used characteristic is shown by Curve 2 in which the tuned circuits are tuned about 30 cycles apart. Curve 3 results with the two circuits tuned about 60 to 70 cycles apart and is almost flat-topped, but it still has fairly steep skirts. The notch frequencies, governed by  $L_1C_1$  and  $L_2C_3$ , were set higher than those used by WICUT, while the peak frequencies were set to about 700 cycles, an audio frequency more pleasing to the writer than 900 cycles.

It should be mentioned that the 0-db. reference is not the same for the three

curves. If the peak of the sharpest curve is taken as 0 db., the peaks of the progressively less-selective curves fall short of 0 db., by increasing numbers of db. In other words, the signal loudness increases with increasing selectivity until limited by ringing. It should also be noted that the response characteristic is effectively broadened by overloading signals. The receiver r.f. gain control thus should be backed off considerably when the desired signal is tuned in; the tremendous gain of the filter at the peaked frequency will allow the desired signal to be easily copied while, in most cases, all other signals will be inaudible.<sup>3</sup>

It is immediately evident that variable selectivity is easily obtained by altering the capacitances of  $C_2$  and  $C_4$  by means of a two-gang multicontact switch. Capacitance is progressively added at  $C_2$  and subtracted at  $C_4$ , thereby broadening the selectivity curve while maintaining the center frequency. Fig. 4 shows one simple method of achieving this.

### Adjustment

The filter can be aligned with the help of an audio signal generator and a scope. If  $C_2$  and  $C_4$  are to be fixed, the procedure is to set the two tuned circuits individually to within 10 to 15 cycles of the chosen peak frequency, but on opposite sides of that frequency. This adjustment can be made by tightening or loosening the clamping screws on each choke until each

<sup>3</sup>This is indicative of regeneration which undoubtedly contributes to the selectivity. — Ed.

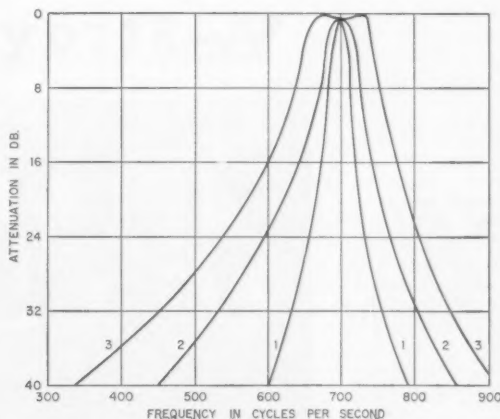
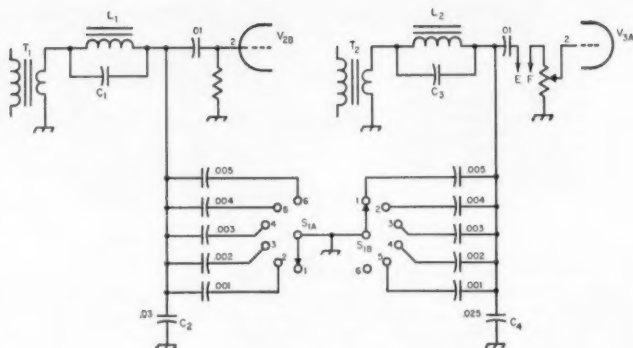


Fig. 3—Selectivity curves of the two-stage filter of Fig. 1. Curve 1 is with the circuits tuned about 10 cycles apart; Curve 2, 30 cycles apart; Curve 3, 60 to 70 cycles apart.



Fig. 4—One method of achieving variable filter selectivity. Greatest selectivity is obtained with  $S_1$  in Position 1. All capacitances are in  $\mu\text{f.}$  and capacitors should be plastic tubular or mica.  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $C_3$ ,  $C_4$ ,  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ ,  $T_1$ , and  $T_2$  refer to Fig. 1.



circuit is tuned to the desired frequency. Altering the number of layers of paper placed between the "I" and "E" laminations of either or both chokes will allow any two similar chokes which, due to manufacturing tolerances, may be of slightly different inductances, to be tuned to the same frequency. The filter is then ready to go. If the response is too sharp, slightly greater separation of the two frequencies can be achieved by a readjustment of the clamping screws on one of the chokes.

If the switch is to be used to obtain variable selectivity, the procedure is equally simple. With the switch in Position 1, the chokes are adjusted so that the respective series-resonant frequencies are 10 to 20 cycles apart, depending on the desired sharpness in the sharpest position. Then for switch Positions 2, 3, 4, etc., one switch section successively substitutes capacitors smaller by 0.001  $\mu\text{f.}$  in parallel with  $C_4$ , while the other section successively increases the capacitance in parallel with  $C_2$  in increments of 0.001  $\mu\text{f.}$  The resonant frequencies of the two circuits thus move about 10 to 15 cycles farther apart for each succeeding position until the minimum de-

sired selectivity is reached. At about 70 cycles separation, a dip appears in the center of the flat-topped portion of the curve, and at separations beyond 100 cycles this dip in the characteristic is severe enough to limit the usefulness of less-selective curves.

If no equipment is at hand, the circuits can be tuned by listening tests only. One's own c.w. signal can be used as a substitute for the audio signal generator. There will be no doubt when the two series-tuned circuits become resonant at close to the same frequency.

As mentioned in the original article<sup>1</sup>, symmetrical output wave form depends upon proper choice of resistances in the diode circuit. The values shown were used after checking on an oscilloscope.

The operating difference between a clipper-filter using one tuned stage and one using two tuned stages is like the difference between night and day. The signals pop in and out and are best tuned by means of the beat-oscillator pitch control. Most such controls cover 2 to 3 kc. and are ideal for tuning over a narrow region around your own operating frequency.

## Strays

Some of the old timers around the Atlanta, Georgia, area, at a recent meeting. W1AD was elected president and W1KL secretary-treasurer of this Old Timers Club.



# The Effect of Capacitance on Power-Supply Filter Bounce

## A Discussion of Power-Supply Dynamic Regulation

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• The fact that the output voltage of a power supply decreases with an increase in load current is universally appreciated, but relatively few amateurs are aware of the rather drastic changes in output voltage that can occur when the load is rapidly varied, as in c.w. keying or in s.s.b. work. This article shows graphically how the output voltage is affected by the resonant frequency of a choke-input filter, and how the situation is improved by going to a large output capacitance. The effect of the filter constants on the surge currents that occur when the supply is turned on also is shown.

LOAD CHANGES affect power-supply output voltages, regardless of the quality of design and components used. Some of the drop in output voltage with an increase in load is caused by rectifiers or resistance, and some of these factors are discussed here; but the most annoying and alarming current or voltage change—and the least well-known—is “bounce” or “resonant response.” Resonant response in a power-supply filter is a simple process, and it is hoped this discussion will show how simple it is.

### Why Filter a Rectifier?

A rectifier changes alternating current to “one-way” current (not direct current) by choosing

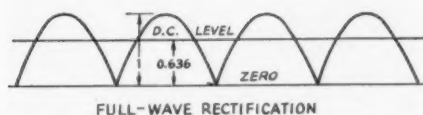
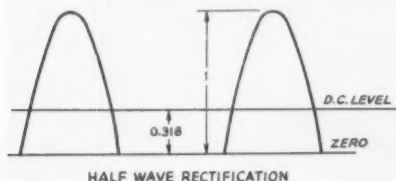
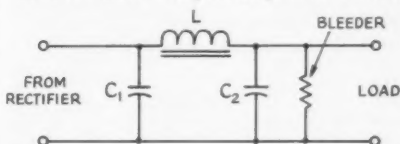
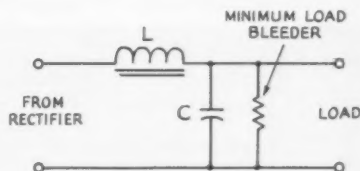


Fig. 1—Comparison of half-wave and full-wave rectification. The value of the average (d.c.) output is shown referred to the peak value of the rectified wave, neglecting any tube and resistance drops.

paths through the rectifying circuit that only let the output current flow in one direction. The output current may be large or small; it may even be zero if there is no possible path for current to



(A) CAPACITOR INPUT FILTER



$$\text{DESIGN: } L \text{ IN HENRYS} = \frac{\text{MAX. TOTAL LOAD, OHMS}}{1000}$$

NOTE: 1130 INSTEAD OF 1000 GIVES MINIMUM 120-CPS INDUCTANCE ALLOWABLE; USING 1000 GIVES SOME SAFETY FACTOR.

(B) CHOKE-INPUT FILTER

Fig. 2—Capacitor and choke-input filters. “Minimum” load corresponds to maximum resistance (bleeder only); “maximum” load to minimum total resistance across the supply.

flow in that one favored direction. Half-wave, full-wave center-tap and full-wave bridge (single-phase) rectifiers without filtering all produce zero voltage many times each second. The half-wave voltage peak is more than three times the “d.c.” (average) voltage, while full-wave peaks are more than one and a half times the “d.c.” voltage, as shown in Fig. 1.

These unfiltered current or voltage waves from the rectifier actually (and mathematically, too, but not here) can be considered to be made up of a constant, smooth “one-way” (direct) current plus several alternating-current waves. If constant, smooth direct current or voltage is wanted, the alternating current waves must be greatly reduced. The best filter reduces the a.c. without affecting the d.c.

Alternating current waves produced by half-wave rectifiers have frequencies equal to whole

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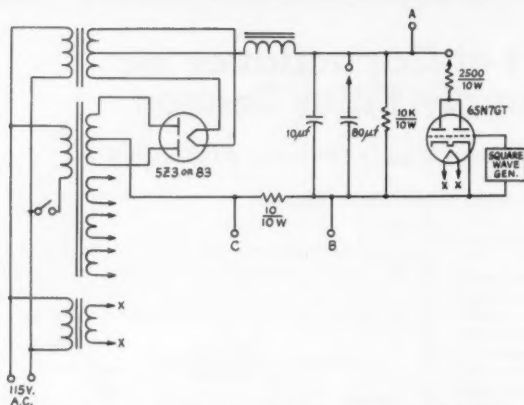


Fig. 3 — Test setup for checking filter "bounce" with changes in load. The 6SN7GT acts as a switch for alternately connecting and disconnecting the load, when its grids are driven by a square-wave generator. For observing voltage changes the vertical plates of the oscilloscope are connected to A and B. The rectifier input current can be inspected by connecting the oscilloscope to C and B. The setup uses a receiving-type power transformer and filter components.

numbers (1, 2, 3, etc.) times the supply frequency; such as, 60, 120, 180 cycles per second for a 60 c.p.s. supply. The lowest frequency has the largest wave and is hardest to filter.

Perfect full-wave rectifiers produce alternating currents whose waves have frequencies *even* whole numbers (2, 4, 6, etc.) times the supply frequency. A full-wave or bridge rectifier powered from a

60-cycle power line will produce smaller amounts of the more easily filtered 120-, 240-, 360-cycle and higher frequency waves. (But one should not forget unbalanced tubes or transformers will produce a 60-cycle wave, in addition, in the output.)

### What's a Filter?

A filter is a circuit that passes electrical waves

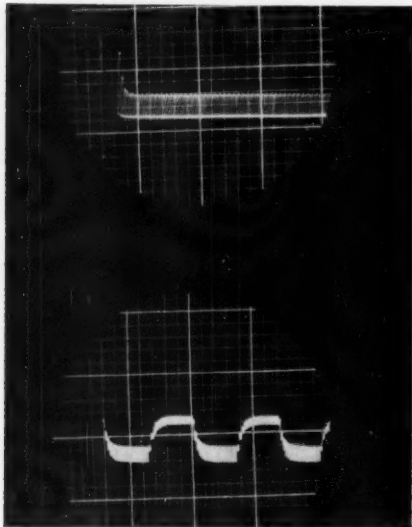


Fig. 4 — Top: Inrush current through rectifier tubes to capacitor-input filter. Left-hand end of trace represents instant of closing power-line switch. The trace consists of a series of pulses at the rectified-output frequency (120 cycles per second) each of which is a pulse of current into the first filter capacitor, the peak current being represented by the height of the pulse. (Note that alternate pulses are not quite the same height, indicating that the outputs of both sides of the rectifier are not quite equal.) The inrush surge current has a peak about three times as high as the steady-state pulses, and takes several cycles to die away.

Bottom: Change in d.c. output voltage with change in load; load switching at a uniform rate. Ripple voltage in the output is indicated by thickening of the trace; the ripple increases with heavier loading, as shown by the fact that the lower sections of this trace, representing lower d.c. output voltage, are thicker.

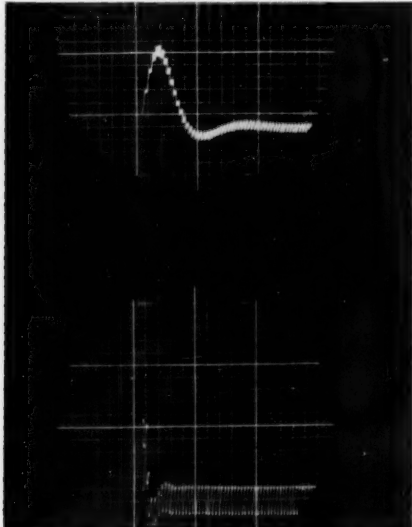


Fig. 5 — Inrush current through rectifier tubes to choke-input filter. Top: 40-henry input choke followed by 40-μF capacitor; bottom: 10-henry input choke followed by 10-μF capacitor. Note that the maximum surge current is the same in both cases (somewhat more than twice the steady-state current) since the  $L/C$  ratio is the same, but that its duration is dependent on the amounts of  $L$  and  $C$  in the filter. The a.c. ripple in the rectifier output current is considerably smaller in the filter with the larger  $LC$  product.

With the choke-input filter the rectifier output current does not go to zero between pulses of rectified current. Compare these photos with the top picture in Fig. 4, where the rectifier output current consists of a series of discrete pulses separated by periods of zero current. (The latter is represented by the bright base line in the upper photo of Fig. 4.)

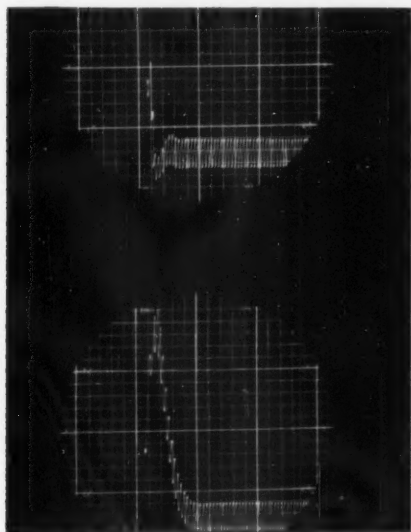


Fig. 6—Effect of changing  $L/C$  ratio on inrush current to rectifier tubes through choke-input filter. Top: 10-henry input choke followed by 10- $\mu$ f. capacitor; bottom: 10-henry input choke followed by 90- $\mu$ f. capacitor. The scale in these photographs is the same as in Fig. 5.

The peak inrush current is considerably larger with the larger capacitance (smaller  $L/C$  ratio) and has a greater duration because of the larger  $LC$  product. Note also that the small oscillation or overshoot at the terminal end of the transient is practically eliminated with the larger capacitor.

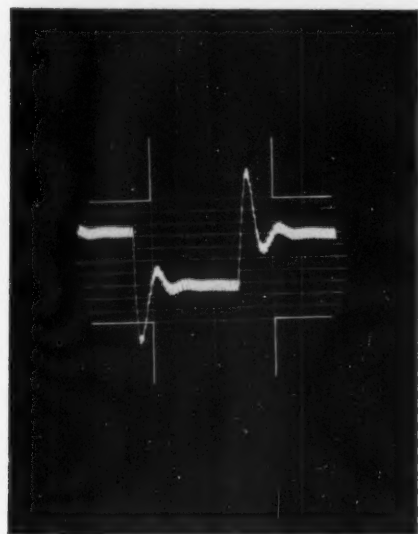


Fig. 8—Load switching at 5 cycles per second with expanded sweep in the oscilloscope, same conditions as Fig. 7. The output voltage tends to oscillate at the resonant frequency of the filter, 15 c.p.s.



Fig. 7—Filter resonance effects in output voltage as a load is alternately switched on and off; choke-input filter with 10-henry choke and 10- $\mu$ f. capacitor. Top: load switched at rate of 5 times per second; center: switching rate 15 per second; lower: switching rate 45 per second. The large swing in output voltage in the middle photo is caused by the resonance in the filter, its natural resonant frequency being approximately the same as the switching rate.

in desired proportions. A steady one-way current does not change and can be said to have *no* cycles per second, so wherever "frequency" is used in the arithmetic, the number zero can be used as the frequency of the steady current.

A filter prevents or reduces passage of electrical waves either by changing the electrical energy to heat in a resistance or by providing a path that will not accept energy from waves of certain frequencies. A wave of any frequency (even zero) loses energy in passing through a resistance, so in a power-supply filter it is usually best to use parts and circuits having as little resistance as practicable. This means that circuits using chokes and capacitors are most efficient in selecting the desired direct current while reducing the accompanying a.c. waves to acceptable levels. Since more than twice as much inductance-times-capacitance ( $L \times C$ ) is required to filter half-wave rectifiers as full-wave rectifiers, only full-wave rectifier filtering will be discussed.

#### Capacitor or Choke Input?

The most commonly used filter is the capacitor-input type, Fig. 2A, sometimes also called the "brute-force" or pi ( $\pi$ ) filter. Good quality input capacitors (the *only* kind that will work and last in this filter) permit extremely high pulse currents to flow through the rectifier. These currents are limited only by tube drop and power transformer impedance. It is costly to design good life into this circuit.



Fig. 9—Output voltage switched at 5-cycle rate, choke-input filter using 10-henry choke and 90- $\mu$ f. capacitor. The overshoot visible in Fig. 8 is practically entirely gone. (The improved ripple smoothing resulting from the use of the larger value of capacitance is also evident on comparison of this photo with Fig. 8.)

Changing the drain on the supply changes the output voltage. Fig. 4 shows both the inrush current (when the power is turned on) and the output voltage change with load for a typical capacitor-input filter. This filter used 10- $\mu$ f. input and output capacitors and a 10-henry, 45-ohm choke. Much less voltage drop with load can be obtained with a choke-input filter, Fig. 2B.

Other advantages of choke-input filters include low "ruling peak currents" to prevent damage to rectifier tubes and filter capacitors. The most common (and *wrong*) objection to choke input is that "capacitor input gives more power out of the power transformer."<sup>1</sup> One manufacturer<sup>2</sup> puts out two power transformer lines, one for choke input, one for capacitor input. For equal d.c. output voltages and currents, cost, size, and weight are nearly identical. In no known case are high-voltage, high-power transformers made for capacitor-input filters.

#### How Much Capacitance?

Inrush or surge currents with choke-input filters may be quite high.<sup>3</sup> RCA recommends certain choke and capacitor values, specifying that if the capacitance is increased, the inductance must be increased the same proportion. The effect on surge current is shown in Fig. 5. The lower oscillogram is the surge in a 10-henry choke-input filter with 10  $\mu$ f. capacitance. The upper oscillogram shows the effect of 40 henrys and 40  $\mu$ f. (This second photo is not to the same scale as the capacitor-input photo, Fig. 4.) If the capacitance is increased without increasing the inductance, the situation shown in Fig. 6 results. The upper picture shows the surge with 10 henrys and 10  $\mu$ f.; the lower shows the effect of increas-

ing the capacitance to 90  $\mu$ f.

No surge problem exists, of course, if the plate power transformer voltage is turned on gradually and left on. (This assumes that the energy stored in the filter much exceeds the variable demand.)

Load change does affect the output voltage of choke-input filters. Fig. 7 shows the effect on the output voltage of switching a resistive load (Fig. 3) on and off the filter output at 5, 15, and 45 times per second. There is obviously resonance at 15 times per second, in very close agreement with the resonant frequency of the 10-henry inductance and 10- $\mu$ f. capacitor used. Fig. 8 shows an enlarged picture of the 5-times-per-second switching rate.

Increasing the capacitance to 90  $\mu$ f. almost completely removes the overshoot. This is shown in Fig. 9 (5-times-per-second switching) and the Fig. 10 (twice-a-second switching). It is felt that the lower  $Q$  at the "predicted" 5-cycle resonance frequency is responsible. High capacitance does remove load bounce from the voltage output.

#### Recommendations

No detailed recommendations can be given — there are too many possible situations — but the



Fig. 10—Same filter as in Fig. 9, but with load switched at a 2-cycle rate.

following suggestions should be helpful:

Reduce surge currents by turning on rectifier plate voltage gradually and leaving it on. Do not try to find chokes of extreme inductance (at \$15 to \$30 per watt-second).

Use choke-input filters for medium- and high-power supplies. Use of high capacitance will minimize filter voltage bounce and produce sufficient hum filtering.

Remember that all supplies not electronically regulated will show some voltage change with load. If very stable voltage is required, an automatic voltage control system must be used.

#### Acknowledgments

Thanks are due Harold Churchill of the Signal Corps Engineering Laboratory for asking the question that initiated this investigation. Prior writers in this field shortened the labor by clear reporting and deserve credit. The permission, assistance, experience, and advice of the Sprague Electric Company team has also been essential.

<sup>1</sup> Probably because the d.c. output voltage from the same transformer-rectifier system will be higher when a capacitor is added in front of a choke-input filter. This neglects transformer heating, which is higher for the same d.c. power output with capacitor input than it is with choke input, even though the output voltage is lower with choke input. — Ed.

<sup>2</sup> Chicago Standard Transformer Corp.

<sup>3</sup> RCA Tube Handbook HB3, Vol. 9-10, p. 866-A/866, 6/30/44.



## ● Technical Topics—

### Satellite Tracking

WITH THE publication in this issue of constructional data on antenna systems, the equipment picture for satellite tracking is almost complete. Earlier *QST*'s have covered the requirements in general (July 1956), low-noise converters and preamplifiers (November and December 1956), and a method of antenna calibration (April 1957). There remains the question of recording the signals in a form that will be useful for subsequent processing. This, at first, had the appearance of being a rather sticky problem since the recorders used in the primary Minitrack system are rather expensive items. However, the NRL people have come up with a scheme that eliminates the need for a high-speed ink recorder at the tracking installation, and it now looks as though the recording difficulty can be resolved quite simply.

In essence, the method consists of using beat-note reception of the satellite signal as in ordinary c.w. practice, and then recording the receiver's audio output with a conventional magnetic-tape recorder. Simultaneously, time ticks from WWV are recorded on the tape for precise timing of the variations in received signal strength as the signal goes through the successive nulls in the antenna pattern. The plan is that stations making such tapes will forward them to NRL where they will be played into an ink recorder of the type used in the primary Minitrack setups so that the final record will be similar to those made by the primary recording stations.

The system has been tested under conditions simulating those to be expected — i.e., a signal of the same strength as is anticipated to be available from the actual satellite — with excellent results. Final records obtained in this way compare very closely in all essential details with records made simultaneously on the same signal by a primary-type recorder. Making the tape recordings offers no technical difficulties, and any of the commercially-available tape recorders should be satisfactory.

Getting back to the antennas, the installations described by Messrs. Easton and Firor are electrically similar but differ a good deal constructionally. A principal consideration in the NRL design was mechanical ruggedness as a contributing factor to electrical stability and thus to high accuracy in taking bearings. This leads to somewhat more costly construction but should represent a good investment where wind and weather are likely to be adverse. In locations where the weather is more favorable less expensive construction may be quite adequate. Dr. Firor's antenna, incidentally, was designed originally for tracking of radio stars and the essentials of the complete receiving system for that purpose are

covered in his article. Star tracking could be a fascinating activity for amateurs who have the necessary ground space and the inclination to get off the beaten track. There isn't any greater DX to be had!

#### *Minitrack Calibration by Moon-Bounce Signals*

The antenna system for a satellite tracking installation has to be calibrated on an actual signal if the highest possible accuracy is to be achieved. Various calibration methods have been proposed and used from time to time, ranging from airplanes and balloons carrying 108-Mc. transmitters on special flights to using radio "stars" (*QST*, April, 1957) as the calibration-signal source. Now, in a joint announcement from the Naval Research Laboratory and the U. S. Army Signal Engineering Laboratories, it is stated that signals reflected from the moon have been used successfully for Minitrack calibration.

Far from being just a stunt, moon-reflected signals offer a practical way of covering a large portion of the Earth's surface, and plans are under way for making "moon-bounce" a primary source of calibration for Minitrack stations. To this end a high-power 108-Mc. transmitter is being constructed and should be undergoing testing by the time this appears in print. The NRL-SEL experiments were carried out with SEL's "Diana" transmitter, which would not be usable for calibration of a regular Minitrack installation because Diana's frequency is 151 Mc. Special receiving equipment designed for the latter frequency was used in the NRL-SEL tests, but the output and recording circuits were of the regular Minitrack type.

It is expected that when the 108-Mc. transmitter is in operation — the target date is October — its transmitting schedules will be made available to operators of Mark II Minitrack installations. If practicable, they will be published in *QST*. Whether or not you can participate in the satellite-tracking program, a good 108-Mc. converter will give you a start toward hearing signals both from the Earth's most prominent natural satellite and from the man-made "moons" to be launched during the coming year.

#### *Preliminary Satellites*

Plans are afoot for launching a number of "practice" satellites in advance of the first attempt to launch the regular satellite already scheduled for IGY, according to articles in the newspapers as we go to press. More on this next month.

—G. G.

*For the Sun,  
the Radio Stars, and the  
Earth's Artificial Satellite*

## A Radio Telescope

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The antenna system described here is a type suitable for tracking the Earth Satellite, provided there is sufficient spacing (500 to 1000 feet) between elements. The receiving method discussed has been developed to separate star noise from ordinary background noise and, while it could be simplified a bit for the c.w. signal to be transmitted by the satellite, is well suited for calibrating a satellite-tracking antenna as described in April QST.

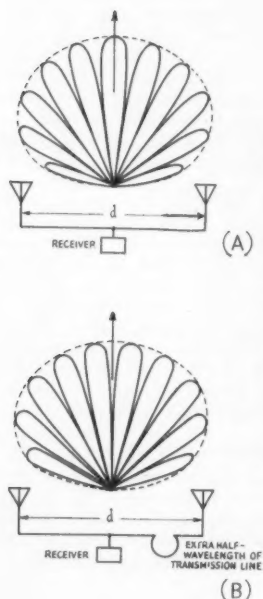


Fig. 1—Reception patterns of radio interferometers. In A the two antenna elements are connected together with equal lengths of transmission line. The resulting pattern has a maximum in the plane of symmetry of the two elements. In B the two elements are connected together out of phase, resulting in minimum sensitivity in the plane of symmetry.

ONE OF THE SIMPLEST METHODS of detecting radio sources in the sky, whether astronomical or artificial, is by use of a radio interferometer. The system to be described in this article is similar to systems used by radio astronomers in various parts of the world during the last ten years for detecting radio stars and measuring their positions, as well as for studying the radio emission from the sun.

An antenna consisting of two elements (where each "element" may be a dipole, Yagi, or other array) separated by several wavelengths will have a pattern which is broken up into many lobes. For example, the antenna shown in Fig. 1A will have a pattern somewhat like that shown above it. The envelope of the pattern (dotted line) is determined by the elements at each end of the system, while the angular spacing of the lobes is determined by the spacing of the elements (length  $d$  in Fig. 1A). The angle between the centers of two adjacent lobes is about  $60 \lambda/d$  degrees, where  $\lambda$  is the wavelength measured in the same units as  $d$ .

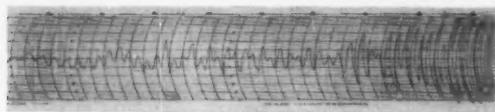
If we add an extra half wavelength of transmission line to one side of the antenna system, as indicated in Fig. 1B, the pattern will be similar to Fig. 1A, but the lobes will all be shifted in angle by half of their width. The envelope will be unchanged. This new pattern is also pictured in Fig. 1B. If further we arrange to put in and take out this extra half-wave length of line, we can switch between the two patterns of Fig. 1. A radio star, satellite, or other source which is at a maximum of the pattern when the half-wave-length section is out will be at a minimum when the extra piece is in. If we then switch the half-wave-length section in and out at a rate of, say, 1000 times a second, the output of the receiver will contain a 1000-cycle component caused by the presence of the radio star or source. The 1000-cycle modulation on the signal easily can be amplified and detected and used to indicate the presence and position of the radio star. The position is obtained from the phase of the 1000-cycle modulation relative to the switching cycle.

### Antenna Considerations

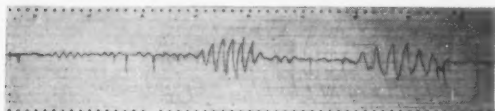
Now the question arises as to what sort of antenna-receiver combination we can build to do all this. First we will take a look at the antenna. It is possible to detect the sun and several radio stars with an antenna consisting of just two half-wave-length dipoles at any frequency from about 15 Mc. up to well above 108 Mc., the satellite frequency. In Fig. 2 is an actual record from a pair of dipoles and a receiver such as we will describe, operated at 108 Mc.<sup>1</sup> The record shows the up-and-down variations of the receiver output as the rotation of the earth carries the sources through the lobes of the

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(A) A record of two radio stars and the sun made with an interferometer consisting of two half-wave dipoles and a 108-Mc. receiver. At the left the up-and-down variations are due to the strong radio star in Cygnus passing through the lobes of the antenna pattern. Near the center of the record the even stronger source in Cassiopeia has entered the antenna pattern and is adding its influence to that of the Cygnus source. At the right the sun takes over.



(B) A record of the same two radio stars as in A but with higher-gain antennas. In this case the two stars are completely separated and can be studied individually. The source pattern near the center is Cygnus A and the one to the right is Cass A. Several weaker sources can also be seen. The antenna elements in this case were four-in line dipoles in a corner reflector.

Fig. 2

antenna pattern. At the left end of the record are variations caused by the strong radio source in the constellation of Cygnus. Near the center of the record the Cygnus wiggles become confused with wiggles caused by the even stronger source in Cassiopeia. At the right the sun takes over and dominates the record. One can see from this record the disadvantage of using a single dipole for the antenna element or, in fact, using any type of element which gives a broad envelope to the antenna pattern. Several radio stars can be in the over-all antenna pattern at one time, resulting in a somewhat confused record. The second record in Fig. 2 indicates the improvement achieved by using higher-gain antennas (sharper pattern). Here the two strong radio sources are completely separated and can be studied individually.

An antenna which will provide enough gain for picking up the rather weak signals from the satellite can be made of two 8-dipole broadside arrays spaced as far apart as the available ground will permit. Fig. 3 shows the arrangement as seen from above. Each dipole is supported by two posts driven or set in the ground and backed up by a simple ground screen. The dipoles them-

selves are folded half-wave dipoles constructed of ordinary TV Twin-Lead. Fig. 4 gives the details of the construction, and Fig. 5 diagrams a feeder system to get all eight dipoles connected in parallel. It is important that all the dipoles be phased correctly—that is, the leads to the north ends of all the dipoles are connected together and the leads to the south ends are all connected together.

For the long transmission line connecting the two arrays to the receiver, 450-ohm open-wire line is convenient and sufficiently low loss. If the commercial variety is used, remove most of the separators, leaving only one every four or five feet. This procedure seems to make the line less sensitive to moisture. For a nicer line, No. 14 wire stretched tight and supported only every thirty or forty feet works well. For 450 ohms, the No. 14 wire should be spaced about 1.4 inches. This type of line has been used on arrays up to 2000 feet long at 300 Mc. and has proved satisfactory except when rain is actually falling.

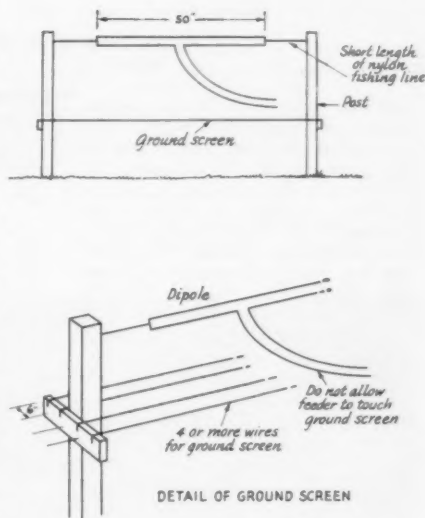
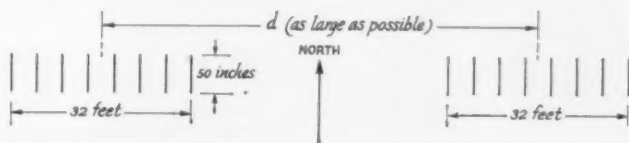


Fig. 4—Construction details of antenna.

Fig. 3—Arrangement of possible interferometer as seen from above.



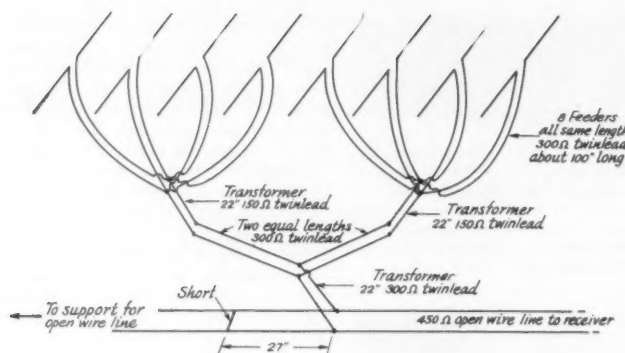


Fig. 5 — Feed system for antenna.

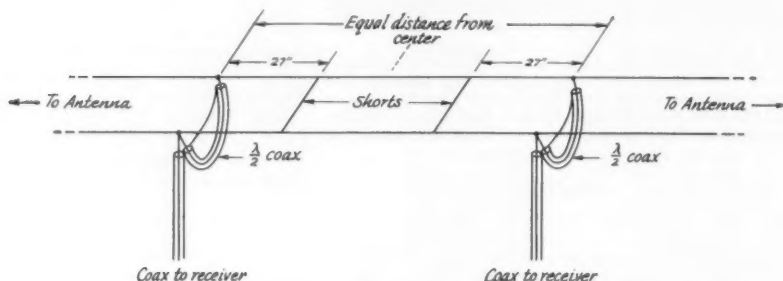


Fig. 6 — Detail near the center of the transmission line.

At the center of the line two baluns must be used to put the signal into coax for entering the house, shed, shack, or what have you. The arrangement near the center is shown in Fig. 6. The arrangement as shown is slightly mismatched at the balun. If better matching is desired, the spacing of the open-wire line could be gradually decreased during the last 30 or 40 feet so that it is about  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch at the balun.

The two arrays should be placed on as accurate an east-west line as can be determined with the available equipment. Furthermore, all the dipoles should be at the same level. Although interferometers not built on east-west lines or not level can be used, it is much harder to analyze the final measurements and determine the position of the satellite.

In the simplest case, when the interferometer is both level and on an east-west line, the central lobe of the antenna pattern lies on the meridian. That is, the maximum response of the pattern coincides with a line in the sky passing through the north pole, the point directly overhead, and the point directly to the south. From the output record one can measure the time at which the

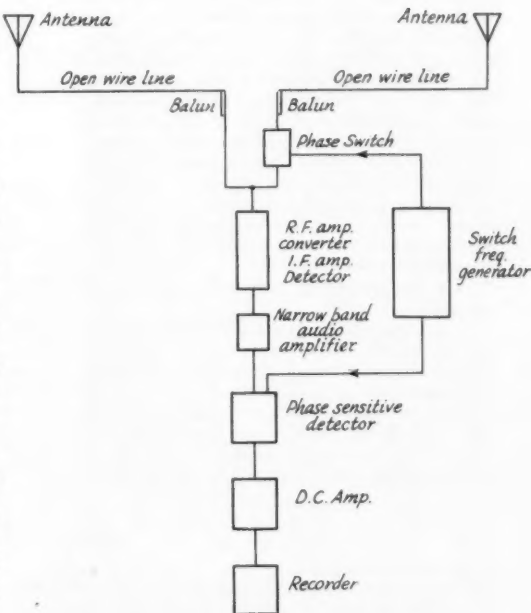


Fig. 7 — Block diagram of a phase-switching radio interferometer.

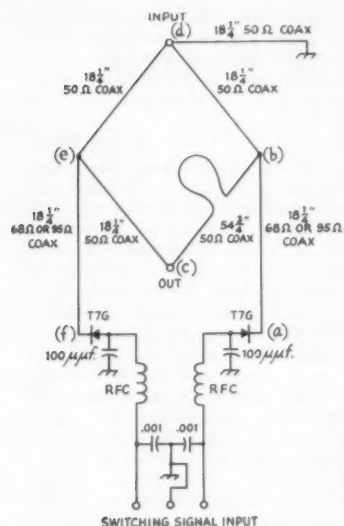


Fig. 8—Diode phase switch. RFC is self-resonant at 108 Mc.

satellite or other signal source was on this line. The position of the object is thus not completely specified, but if a number of different observers can give lines on which the source lay at various times then the true position and orbit can be calculated.

### Receiving Equipment

A block diagram of the receiver to be used with this antenna is shown in Fig. 7. Most of the items are well known and need little description. The r.f. amplifier can be any of the low-noise preamplifiers which have been written up in *QST*. Our preference is a 6AN4-6AN4 grounded-grid model similar to that described by Simas.<sup>3</sup> But do not work too hard for that last

db. of noise figure. The sky contributes about 10 db. of noise, so any preamp with a 4-db. noise figure is good enough. The oscillator for the mixer must be crystal controlled.

The i.f. amplifier and detector are standard items and could be a good communications receiver. The gain needed is about 120 db. for r.f. plus i.f. when observing the satellite. About 10 db. less will do for the radio stars. The i.f. band width should be 10 kc. for the satellite and as wide as possible for the stars. Probably one will be limited by interfering stations to a 100-kc. band pass.

The narrow-band audio amplifier is just an audio stage with a voltage gain of 100 or so and a simple *L-C* filter to limit the band pass to the neighborhood of the switching frequency. This could be part of a communications receiver.

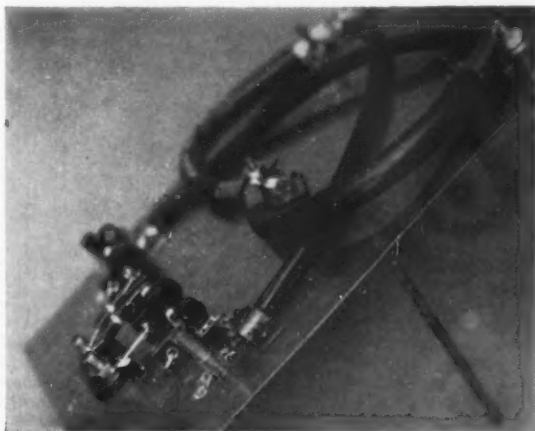
The switch-frequency generator is an audio oscillator with two push-pull outputs, one of which can be shifted in phase relative to the other. One of the outputs needs to be pretty husky and will be mentioned again.

### Phase Switching

The phase switch, or the unit that puts in and takes out the extra half-wave length of line, is an item which will be new to most hams. However, it can be made simply, and in Fig. 8 a form of phase switch is shown which is mostly pieces of coaxial cable either  $\frac{1}{4}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$  wavelengths long. The actual switching is done by two high-conduction crystal diodes. The switch is built on a sheet of copper or aluminum, and the braid at each end of each length of coax is strapped or soldered to the sheet. The photograph (Fig. 9) shows the type of construction used. To provide the rather large switching current required by the diodes (50 ma.), a circuit such as that shown in Fig. 10 will be needed to amplify the output of the audio oscillator.

<sup>3</sup> Simas, "A Low-Noise Preamplifier for Satellite Tracking," *QST*, Dec., 1956, p. 42.

Fig. 9—Photograph of a phase switch similar to that shown in Fig. 8, but for higher frequency. Picture shows method of clamping coax to copper sheet near connector (upper right) and near diode (center). The plastic trimmer capacitor in the photo serves the same purpose as the 100- $\mu$ f. capacitor in Fig. 8.





The operation of the switch can be understood if it is remembered that a short looks like an open when seen through a quarter-wave-length piece of transmission line. So when one of the diodes is conducting (for example, the diode at *a* in Fig. 8), it appears open as seen from *b*. Hence, the signal can pass from input to output along path *dbc*. The other diode is open and so appears as a short at *e*. This short in turn ap-

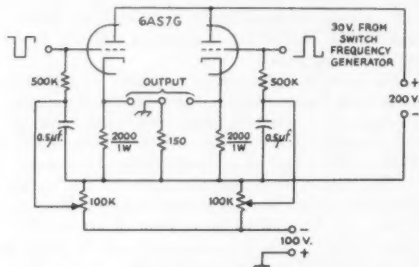


Fig. 10—Driver for diode phase switch. The bias on the 6AS7G triode sections is adjusted to cutoff by means of the 100K potentiometers, with no input from the switch-frequency generator. A push-pull square wave having a peak-to-peak amplitude of about 30 volts is needed for excitation of this circuit. D.c. coupling to the source is not required.

pears as an open at the input and output and does not interfere with the signal on the other side. When the switching signal changes over, the r.f. signal changes to path *dec*, which is a half wave length shorter.

must be adjusted to have the correct phase. The narrow-band audio amplifier will have some phase shift and must be compensated for.

If an ordinary 0-1 ma. recording meter is used, the d.c. amplifier in Fig. 11 is adequate.

### A Few Hints

It can be seen from the above description that building an interferometer, although not requiring any unusual techniques or parts, is still a fairly large job. Probably the hardest part will not be finding or building the components, but in securing satisfactory operation from all of the components connected together. A few comments are then perhaps in order to try to smooth the path as much as possible.

Things work much better if they have stable supplies of plate voltage and filament voltage. Get out *The Radio Amateur's Handbook* and build a few regulated plate supplies. Invest in a Sola or other regulating transformer for the filaments. If at all possible, keep the receiver in a room in which the temperature does not vary widely.

When looking at radio stars the exact frequency does not matter, but for the satellite the receiver should be tuned to 108 Mc. within a kilocycle or so. This means that if you build the converter or mixer to go with the receiver, the oscillator must be crystal controlled. In order to be sure the receiver is tuned correctly, a 100-ke. frequency standard could be used to calibrate a stable v.f.o. at 27 Mc. The fourth harmonic of this oscillator can then be used to line up the receiver to 108 Mc.

Keep a speaker attached to the detected output

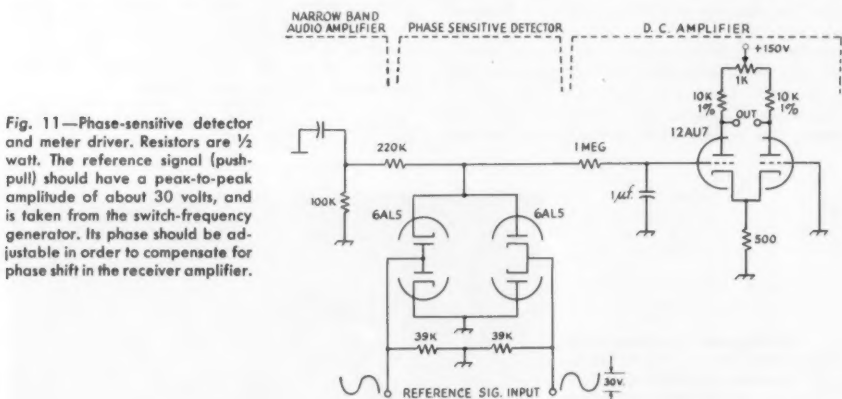


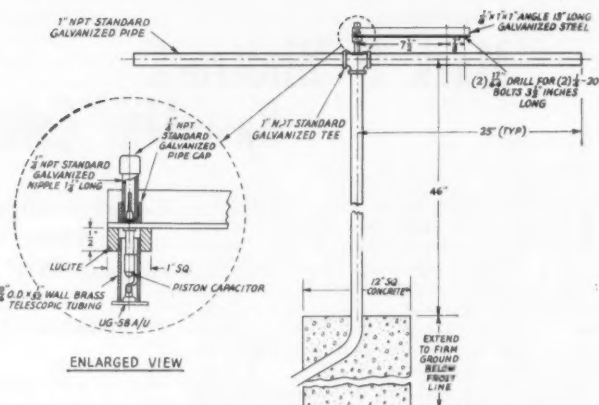
Fig. 11—Phase-sensitive detector and meter driver. Resistors are  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt. The reference signal (push-pull) should have a peak-to-peak amplitude of about 30 volts, and is taken from the switch-frequency generator. Its phase should be adjustable in order to compensate for phase shift in the receiver amplifier.

The other unusual item is the phase-sensitive detector, or the device that tells us whether the source is near a maximum of the antenna pattern in Fig. 1A or of the pattern in 1B. This circuit, Fig. 11, can be seen to be a switch which turns the output of the receiver on and off in time with the phase switch. The reference signal to the phase detector, although derived from the same source as the switching signal,

of the i.f. amplifier. This is the easiest way to tell when you have interference problems, an oscillating preamp, or other troubles. When the receiver is working properly, the steady swish of noise should be heard. Dig out your July, 1953, copy of *QST* and build yourself a simple noise generator and use it frequently to check the noise figure of your preamp and the over-all behavior of your receiver.

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Fig. 2—Construction details of the dipole element. Eight of these are used in each of the two antennas in the Mark II Minitrack system. The angle iron is insulated from the dipole at the feed point by the Lucite block. This block is fastened to the angle iron by four screws (not shown) threaded into the iron, but is not fastened to the brass tubing; the support at the other end of the angle iron is sufficiently rigid to make such fastening unnecessary. The piston capacitor is made by JFD, type VC-13G.



tuned, and simple to manufacture. After several types of matching devices had been investigated the gamma-matched dipole was selected for further study because of its inherent simplicity and rigidity.

The simplest type of gamma-matched dipole, shown in Figs. 2 and 3, is inherently unbalanced. The unbalanced dipole would be expected to have a "squat" or "lean" to its pattern in the plane of the dipole, the direction of the squat being on the same side as the feed loop. However, the measured response in the plane of the dipoles at the ground screen, although unsymmetrical, is at least 19 db. below the maximum response, so it is satisfactory from an interference standpoint.

More important than squat would be currents on the vertical support rod. Negative results were obtained on pattern measurements run to determine if radiation existed due to support-rod currents.

Construction of the dipole is quite simple. It

consists of three pieces of standard galvanized pipe and a standard tee modified as shown in Fig. 2. The only machine operation needed, outside of drilling holes, is the flat on the tee where the UG-58A/U socket is mounted. This can be made conveniently in a lathe or by a mill, but can also be made with a file. The capacitor is soldered to the cable socket terminal before the external brass tube is soldered to the socket frame. Either an insulating tube or several turns of insulating tape can be placed around the capacitor to prevent its shorting to ground. If it is felt to be necessary, the entire metal tube can be filled with silicone grease. The solid block of Lucite insulation effectively centers the brass tubing. The top of the capacitor is sealed by means of the pipe cap threaded to the capacitor base and by the pipe cap at the top of the nipple. The parts for this dipole element should cost less than \$7.00.

Probably the most rigid and simple means of



Fig. 3—Photograph of completed dipole element.

supporting the dipole is by embedding it in a concrete pier as shown in Fig. 2. To permit threading the coaxial cable through the vertical tubing an opening to the outside of the pier must be provided. This opening can be made in a number of ways. A greased block which can be removed when the concrete has set is one means. Another is a curved or angled tube which extends to or through the form boards. These form boards should be extended as shown in Fig. 4 to hold the

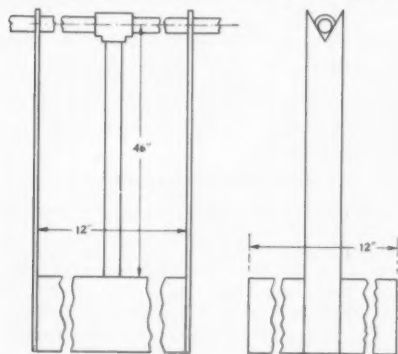


Fig. 4 — Temporary supports, notched at the top to hold the two arms of the dipole, should be made part of the form for the concrete. This will insure that the dipole elements are level and at the proper height.

radiating element. In this manner all the radiating elements can be made level and parallel.

After the form boards are removed the ground screen can be built as shown in Fig. 5. The ground screen must fulfill one principal requirement — it must be large enough so that the antenna will be unaffected by the conditions of the surrounding terrain.

Pattern measurements have indicated that the minimum screen width required is about fifteen feet. A width of sixteen feet has been selected because it is the nearest larger length that is a standard lumber size. The chicken-wire strips can be laid either parallel to the dipoles or perpendicular to them. If the strips are perpendicular to the radiators the separate pieces of netting should be bonded by twisting and soldering, or

wiring together and soldering, every few inches.

To eliminate the soldering problem the radiators can be placed a standard chicken-wire roll width apart so that the screening strips can be easily placed parallel to the dipoles. Such a configuration can be built conveniently by placing the dipoles an even six feet apart. The screen should be supported and stretched so the sag is less than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch.

### Junction Box

Before the screen is built the transmission lines to all radiators should be installed. There are several ways that the feed structure can be built. One is the common "corporate structure" in which lines to two elements are joined and matched impedance-wise, then a line from a similar junction is joined to a line from the first junction and so on until all elements are fed from a single source.

A method that appears simpler is proposed for this antenna. Here the feed lines to all elements diverge from a single junction box. For this system all lines must be electrically equal but may vary in length by multiples of full wave lengths. If the total line lengths from the junction box to the antenna feed points are made an odd number of quarter wave lengths then all the antenna currents will be equal, irrespective of mutual coupling effects.

The transmission line used to join the radiators to the junction box can be RG-8/U, RG-9/U or metal-covered solid-dielectric line (e.g., Amphe-nol 21-606). The aluminum-covered line is preferable for this use but RG-8/U is probably adequate.

Fig. 6 shows the construction of a junction box for an eight element array. For arrays having more elements more feed points must be provided and the impedance of the quarter-wave matching transformer must be reduced.

### Antenna Matching

Because of their mutual coupling, all elements except the one being matched should be connected to the junction box while matching the elements, and each element should be adjusted individually. A convenient bridge for finding the best impedance match is shown in Fig. 7. Details

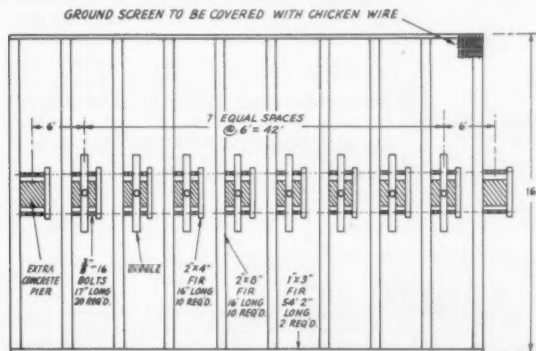


Fig. 5—Plan view of dipole and ground screen assembly. The 2 X 8s are laid horizontally on edge and extend two inches above the tops of the concrete blocks so the ground screen is spaced 44 inches from the dipole centers. The chicken-wire strips are supported by these members.

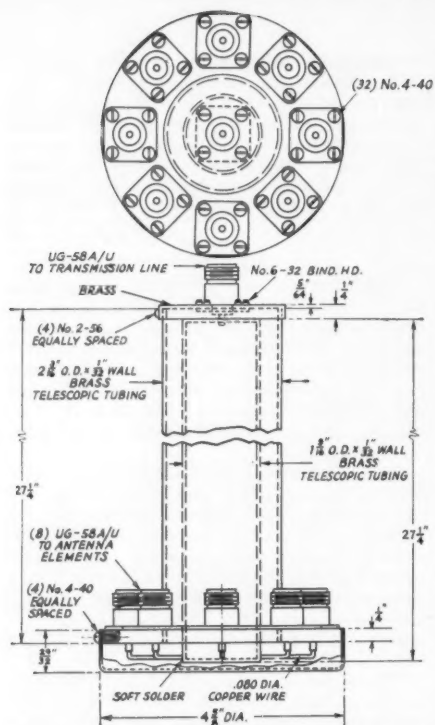


Fig. 6—Detail of junction box. The inner length of tubing in the matching transformer is closed at the ends. The top is centered by the inner socket contact and the bottom is supported by the wires from the eight sockets as shown, so that no insulating support is required. The base on which the eight sockets are mounted is quarter-inch brass, drilled and tapped for the sockets as well as for the bottom cover.

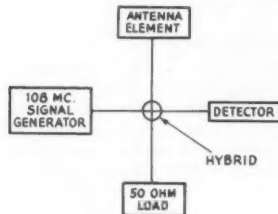
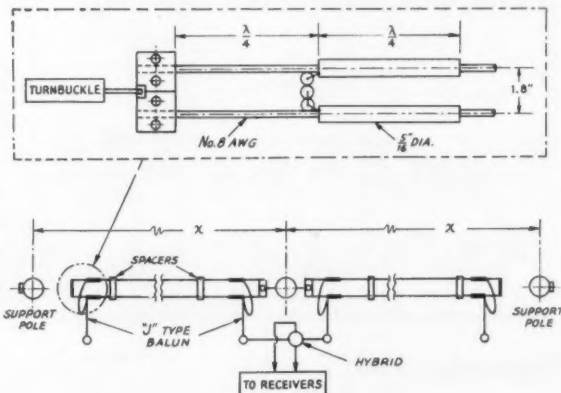


Fig. 7—Setup for adjusting the match for an antenna element.

Fig. 8—Details of transmission line connecting the antennas to the hybrid junction. The distance  $x$  should be of the order of 500 feet for a high-accuracy system. The clamp at the end of the line consists of a single bottom piece into which the turnbuckle is anchored, with two top pieces (cut out for the turnbuckle as shown) to allow individual adjustment of wire tension. The pieces should be drilled to form a tight fit for No. 8 wire. Figs. 9 and 10 show details of the baluns and line spacers.



of making the hybrid will be given later in this article. With the hybrid bridge the antenna capacitor is adjusted until a null reading is obtained on the detector. Then the standing-wave ratio can be read using a standing-wave indicator, if available.

When all the dipoles are matched they should all be connected to the junction and the impedance looking into the junction measured. The v.s.w.r. at this point should be held to less than 1.1 to 1 if the antenna calibration is to be by surveying alone. Even if other calibrating means are available the v.s.w.r. should be kept as low as practicable. To achieve this v.s.w.r. it may be necessary to make small changes in the characteristic impedance of the matching transformer in the junction box.

### Transmission Line and Hybrid

The transmission line joining the antennas to the hybrid junction must be independent of noticeable phase variation due to weather and must have low attenuation and negligible radiation. Since long lengths of it are required its cost should be nominal. The open-wire line shown in Fig. 8 appears to fulfill these requirements adequately.

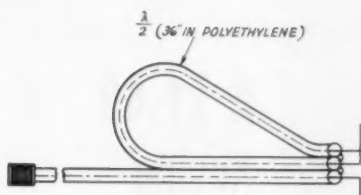
This line is made of No. 8 wires. For extra strength, machine-straightened copper-covered steel wire was chosen. This wire costs about two cents per foot. The unstraightened wire costs about 10 per cent less but requires considerable stretching to eliminate kinks. The stretching process is troublesome and dangerous.

The selection of characteristic impedance for the line involves a compromise. A low-impedance line will give less line pickup but will also have higher attenuation. The impedance of a high-impedance line will be less affected by motion in the wind.

With No. 8 wires a line spacing of 1.8 inches gives an impedance of 400 ohms. The pickup on this line is independent of line length and was measured as being 26 db. below that from a dipole. Since the antenna gain is perhaps 14 db. above a dipole the satellite signal picked up by the line will be negligible (-40 db.) compared with the signal.

Although balanced transmission lines having balanced line hybrids have been built for phase





**Fig. 9 — J-type balun.** This should be made with solid-tube-type coaxial line.

comparison purposes, it is preferable to build the hybrid from coaxial line. The transmission line is matched to 50 ohms at both ends. A quarter-wave matching section made up of two  $\frac{3}{8}$ -inch quarter-wave capped tubes slipped over the wire as shown in Fig. 8 matches the line to 200 ohms. The J-type balun shown in Fig. 9 matches the 200-ohm balanced impedance to 50 ohms unbalanced. For best weatherproofing the balun should be supported so its loop extends above the transmission line.

The steel-covered copper wire will support itself for at least 500 feet. If a 1000-foot base line is used the two lengths of line should be made equal before installation. The spacing of

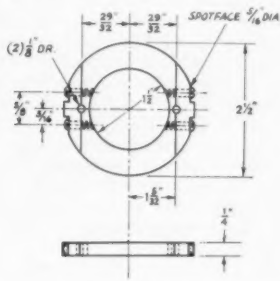


Fig. 10 — Transmission-line spacers. The side pieces clamp the line conductors to the remainder of the ring. The material is acrylic thermoplastic such as Plexiglas.

the wires can be kept uniform by using spacers built as shown in Fig. 10. Spacers placed every 30 feet or so appear to keep the line spacing satisfactorily uniform.

It appears advantageous to terminate the transmission lines at the center of the base line and to transform to unbalanced line before adding the signals in the hybrid. A termination pole at the center will in addition permit the use of several base lines all having the same centers.

### The Hybrid

Fig. 11 shows a hybrid that has proven to be satisfactory. The ring is made of 70-ohm cable

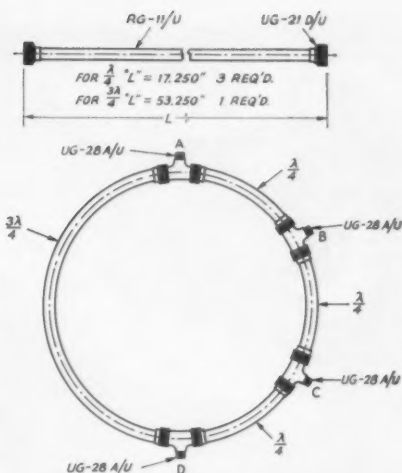


Fig. 11 — Construction of the hybrid junction.

(preferably double shielded) and the antennas are connected to *A* and *C*. *B* then has a null output when the signals at the antennas are out of phase and *D* has a null output when the antenna signals are in phase. Fig. 12 shows the measured isolation between arms *B* and *D* with matched loads on *A* and *C* as a function of frequency.

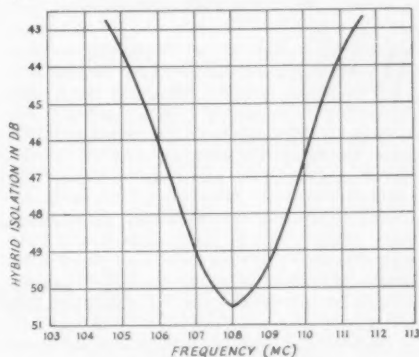
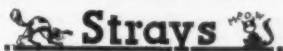


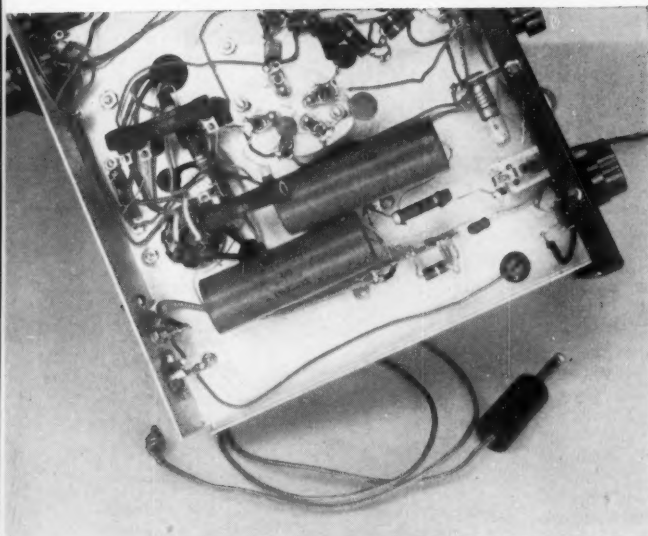
Fig. 12 — Measured isolation in a hybrid junction of the type shown in Fig. 11.

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The monitoring oscillator installed in a Viking Adventurer. The NE-2 neon bulb and  $R_3$  are mounted on a tie-point strip to the right of the lower filler capacitor and the two capacitors in the monitor circuit are supported by the strip and the key jack. The voltage divider resistors,  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , are mounted in the power-supply section on existing terminals.

WHILE THERE ARE some exceptions, most c.w. operators find it difficult to send their best code without monitoring the keying. Commonly the listening is done on one's own receiver, which when working someone on the same frequency presents no problem except proper juggling of the gain control. The crystal-controlled Novice doesn't want to limit his operations to those few frequencies for which he owns crystals, but in jumping back and forth with his receiver he runs the risk, in the crowded bands, of losing the other station. What the Novice, or anyone else, can use is a device that will permit the user to hear his sending regardless of the setting of the receiver. The keying monitor circuit shown in Fig. 1 is such a gadget.

This unit is designed to work with any cathode-keyed transmitter. If the reader doesn't know how his transmitter is keyed, a look at the diagram of his rig will bring the answer. It should be mentioned right now that the tone output of this device duplicates your fist, but is not a replica of the signal on the air.

## Operation

The monitor is a neon bulb, audio-frequency oscillator connected to the keying circuit in the transmitter. Voltage for it is taken from the transmitter power supply through a voltage di-

vider  $R_1R_2$ . The headphones are permanently connected both to the oscillator and to the receiver. When the key is closed, the oscillator generates a tone that is heard in the phones. The receiver can be switched to stand-by or left on, depending on the station controls. However, if the receiver is left on and the station being worked is on or very close to the operating frequency, then the monitor tone is likely to be drowned out by the receiver output. When the key is open, the neon bulb extinguishes and the audio oscillation stops, so received signals are heard as usual. High-impedance headphones must be used.

## Construction

The monitor can be mounted as a separate unit with interconnecting leads to the receiver and transmitter. We preferred to mount it in the transmitter because then the only external leads needed were those to the receiver headphone jack. Practically any transmitter will have adequate space for mounting the few components.

The accompanying photograph shows the installation in a Viking Adventurer. Similar techniques can be followed with other transmitters. An open circuit-jack,  $J_1$ , was mounted on the panel between the dial light and the power switch. A tie-point strip was used for mounting  $C_1$ ,  $R_3$ , and the NE-2 neon bulb. A length of

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"Simplest" is an often overworked word in QST titles, but its use seems to be justified in this article. Here W1ICP shows how to add a "sidetone generator" (as they say in the ads) to any cathode-keyed transmitter, at a cash outlay that is guaranteed not to break you.  
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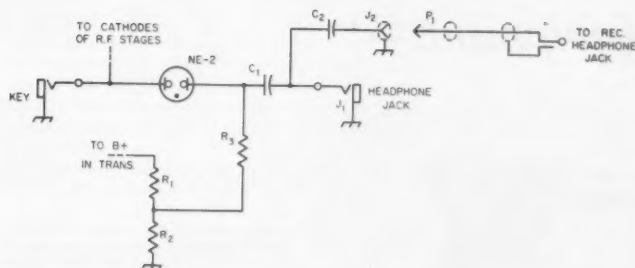


Fig. 1—Circuit diagram of the neon-oscillator monitor.  
 $C_1$ —500- $\mu$ f. ceramic, paper, or mica, 500 V.  
 $C_2$ —.01- $\mu$ f. ceramic or paper, 500 V.  
 $J_1$ —Open-circuit jack.  
 $J_2$ —Phono jack.  
 $P_1$ —Phono plug.  
 $P_2$ —Phono plug.  
 $R_1, R_2$ —See text and Table I.  
 $R_2$ —6.8 megohms,  $\frac{1}{2}$  watt.

shielded wire was used to connect from  $C_2$  to an RCA type phono jack mounted on the back of the chassis. The phono jack  $J_2$  is used for the connecting lead from the headphone output of the receiver. A length of shielded wire with a phono plug at one end and a standard headphone plug at the other makes up the connection between the transmitter and receiver.

The voltage needed to operate the monitor is obtained from a voltage divider,  $R_1R_2$ . The values for  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  for some of the transmitters in current use are given in Table I. In cathode-keyed rigs other than those listed the values of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  must be found by experiment. A simple method for doing this is to use a two-watt, one-megohm potentiometer (rated to carry two watts or more) as a voltage divider. One side of the potentiometer is connected to the B+ line and the other side to ground. The voltage for the monitor is taken from the arm (center terminal) of the potentiometer.

The adjustment of the potentiometer is simple. Turn on the rig but leave the key open. If a signal from the monitor is heard with the key open, adjust the potentiometer to the point where the monitor shuts off. Close the key and the monitor should be heard. If desired, the

potentiometer can be mounted in the transmitter and used as the voltage divider. Otherwise, the resistance values each side of the potentiometer arm can be measured with an ohmmeter and one-watt resistors substituted for the potentiometer.

There are a few things we have pointed out in

Table I  
Resistor Values for Voltage Divider

Transmitter	$R_1$	$R_2$
Adventurer	330,000	100,000
AT-1	330,000	680,000
Ameco AC-1	330,000	680,000
DX-35	1,000,000	330,000

the past that bear repeating here. Always be careful in working around "live" circuits. When making connections or mounting components in the transmitter be sure the rig is turned off. As mentioned previously, the monitor will only work with high-impedance headphones. The receiver can be left on or switched to stand-by when transmitting, depending on how the user likes to operate.

## Strays

### I've Been Hamstrung

Holy smokes and Goodness sake,  
 I just received a card that made me shake.  
 You say my subscription to QST,  
 Has just run out, Oh woe is me

Rectifiers are red, and condensers are blue,  
 QST how I would miss you  
 Your pages are crammed with the latest dope,  
 Could I do without you, the answer is NOPE

I've got standing waves all over the place,  
 And my VFO is starting to race  
 Things are in rough shape as you can see,  
 And the only thing that helps is QST

Please find enclosed four hard earned bucks,  
 Flying to you with the speed of ducks,  
 I'm a lousy poet as you can see,  
 But renew my subscription to QST!

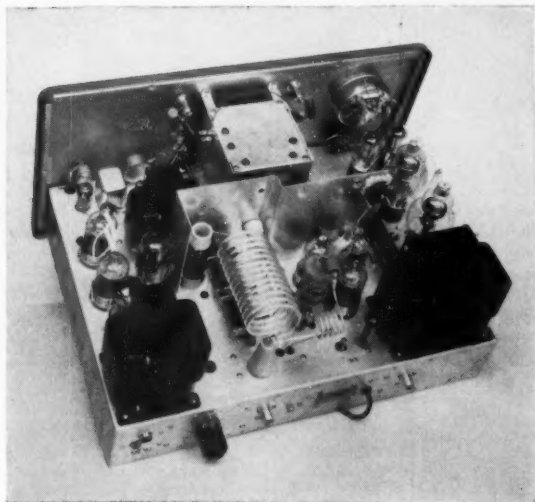
—W0SXU

W3PGB recently participated in an all-continent roundtable in which the roll was called and acknowledgements received in just one minute and 25 seconds. Stations in on the feat included FTAC, HZ1AB, ZS6KD, KH6RU, YV5FL and W7DSO.

A few months ago we published a brief Stray about a W6 who worked a couple of successive call signs on successive QSOs. Since then we've been swamped with letters and cards reporting similar coincidences. Okay, fellows, we surrender—it ain't as rare as we thought it was!

Mr. Ohms of the General Electric Co. is secretary of the Detroit chapter of the IRE Professional Group on Vehicular Communications.

## • Recent Equipment —



Rear view of the Viking "Valiant." Final-amplifier components are grouped at the center behind the baffle shield. The three 6146s are clustered around the plate-feed r.f. choke. The coil on the ceramic form to the left is for 160 meters. The neutralizing capacitor is in the upper right-hand corner of the shield. The box above the shield encloses the v.f.o. components, including its tube and screen-voltage regulator. To the left are the low-voltage power supply and modulator. At the right are the high-voltage transformer and 866 rectifiers. The baffle strips that seal the seam between the panel and cabinet can be seen inside the rim of the panel.

### The Viking "Valiant"

WITH POWER-INPUT ratings of 275 watts on c.w. and s.s.b. (p.e.p. with auxiliary exciter), and 200 watts on a.m., the Viking "Valiant" fits into the gap between the "Ranger" and the "Five Hundred." Both mechanical and electrical designs follow closely those established in other "table-top" units of the Johnson line, with modifications to suit the power level.

The "Valiant" covers all bands, 160 through 10-meters, including the 11-meter band on a separate band-switch position. The pi-network output circuit is designed to handle antenna loads of approximately 25 to 2000 ohms at frequencies above 7 Mc., and 50 to 500 ohms on the lower frequencies, with enough additional latitude to compensate for several thousand ohms of antenna series reactance. A time-sequence system provides chirp-free break-in keying with adequate envelope shaping to minimize clicks. The a.m. modulator includes an adjustable clipper-filter, and provision for push-to-talk operation with control for an external antenna relay. Provision is also made for s.s.b. exciter input (3 to 4 watts p.e.p. across 50 ohms at the output operating frequency). An outlet at the rear of the transmitter affords access to the high- and low-voltage supplies, filament supply and modulator output for the operation of other gear, such as a v.h.f. transmitter.

#### R.F. Section

The tube arrangement is shown in block form

in Fig. 1. A 6AU6 series-tuned v.f.o. with a broad-banded output circuit drives a 6CL6 buffer-doubler whose plate circuit is also broad-banded. This stage can be switched to serve as a grid-plate crystal oscillator. The 6CL6 drives a capacitive-bridge-neutralized 5763 buffer-multiplier having a conventional tank circuit with a separate panel tuning control. The screen of this stage is on a potentiometer so that the excitation to the final may be adjusted from the panel. The final has three 6146s in parallel and a pi-network output circuit. This stage is also neutralized by the capacitive-bridge method. Interstage coupling is capacitive.

#### Bandswitching System

A single panel control performs all band-switching functions. A three-position switch, cam-operated from the band-switch shaft at appropriate intervals, selects one of two basic v.f.o. frequency ranges — 1.75 to 2 Mc. for the 160- and 80-meter bands, or 7 to 7.42 Mc. for all higher-frequency bands. The third switch position adds a small paddler that lowers the high-frequency range of the v.f.o. to cover 6.725 to 6.84 Mc. for 11-meter output. The basic frequency ranges are provided by two entirely separate temperature-compensated LC circuits with the tuning capacitors ganged. The illuminated v.f.o. dial has a calibration mark every 10 kc. on all bands.

The broad-banded output circuits of the v.f.o.

and 6CL6 are made up of combinations of fixed inductances loaded with resistance, selected by the band switch. The v.f.o. output plate circuit is on 160 for 160- and 80-meter operation and the 6CL6 operates as a straight amplifier on all bands except 10 and 11 meters where it doubles frequency.

The 5763 has a two-section tank coil tapped at appropriate intervals. It works as a straight amplifier on 160 and 40 meters, as a tripler to 21 Mc. and as a doubler on the remaining bands. All unused portions of the tank coil are shorted out.

In the pi-network output tank, the coil is in three sections with taps for the various bands. All unused portions are shorted. The variable tank capacitor is a 120- $\mu\text{f}$ -per-section split-stator unit. On 160 and 80 meters, the two sections are in parallel and are padded with a series-parallel combination of four 600-volt silver-mica fixed capacitors totaling 330  $\mu\text{f}$ . On 40, one section of the variable is used in shunt with a second series-parallel combination of fixed capacitors totaling 150  $\mu\text{f}$ . On all higher frequencies the tank capacitor is one section of the split-stator variable with no padding.

On the output side of the network, a 360- $\mu\text{f}$ . variable is connected permanently in the circuit. A switch with a separate panel control adds fixed

mica units as required.

### Crystal-V.F.O. Switch

This switch has four positions—two for crystal operation, one for v.f.o. operation and one for setting the v.f.o. to frequency. For the first two positions, select one of two crystals (or a multiple-crystal plug-in unit) that may be plugged in through an opening in the panel. This opening is normally covered with a snap-in dummy knob to preserve shielding and panel symmetry. In either of the two crystal positions, the v.f.o. cathode circuit is opened and the v.f.o. output disconnected from the 6CL6 grid. There is an r.f. choke and feed-back capacitor permanently connected from the 6CL6 cathode to ground and the switch adds the other feed-back capacitor from grid to cathode to complete the grid-plate crystal-oscillator circuit. Crystals in the 160- or 80-meter bands may be used for 80-meter output, 80- or 40-meter crystals for output on 40, and 40-meter crystals are required for the remaining bands.

In the v.f.o. operating position, the switch establishes the v.f.o. connections, removes the 6CL6 grid feed-back capacitor and shorts the cathode choke and capacitor. The circuit is essentially the same when the switch is turned to the position for setting the v.f.o. to frequency,

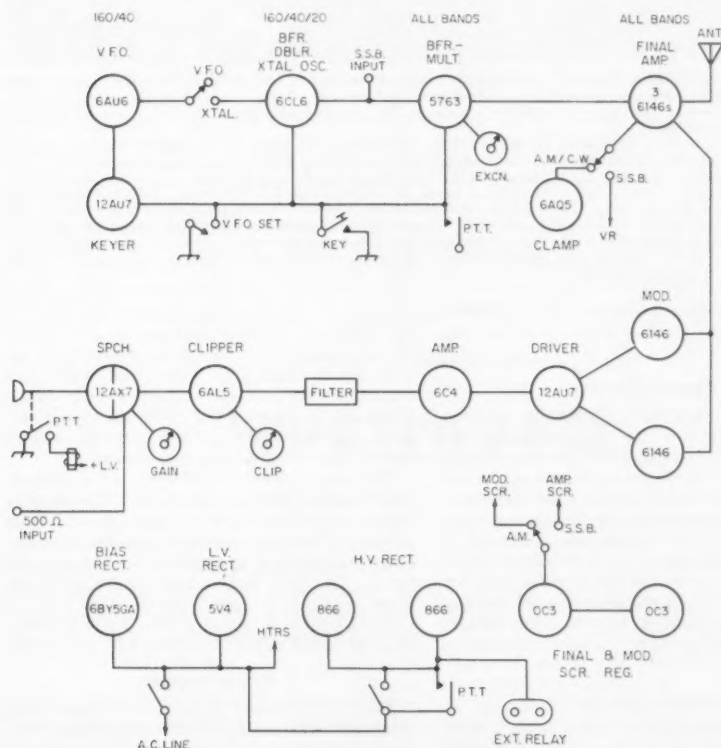
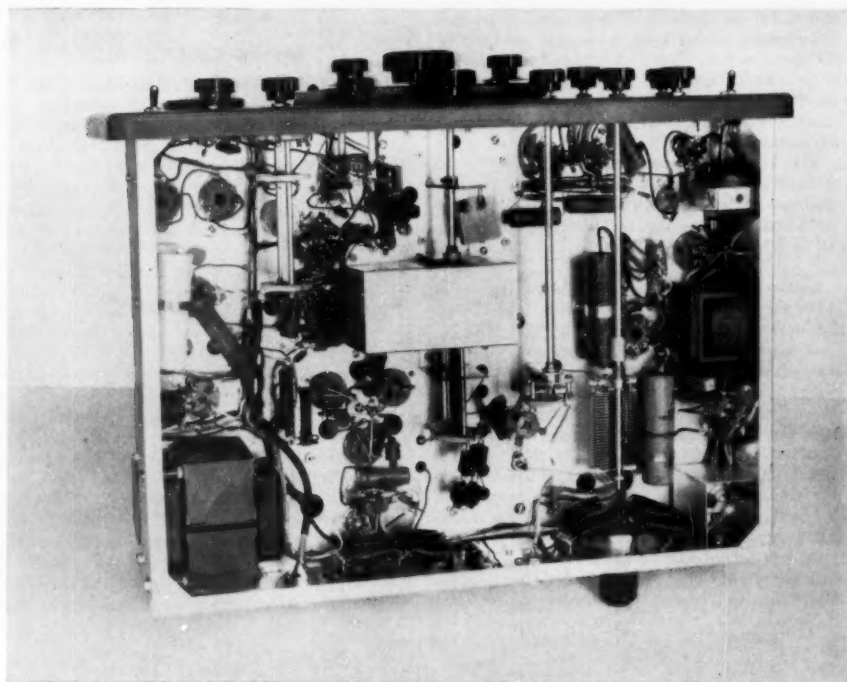


Fig. 1—Block diagram of the Viking "Valiant."





Bottom view of the Viking "Valiant." The band switch is at the center. The shield encloses the switch section for the 6CL6 and the 5763, and the highest-frequency coils for these two stages. The mica capacitors connected to the bottom switch section are the pi-network input padders. The cam operating the v.f.o. crystal switch is immediately above the shield box.

The switch gang at the upper left is the mode switch. The pi-network output padder switch is to the right of the shield. Still farther to the right is the pi-network output variable. The high-voltage filter choke is in the lower left-hand corner, below the p.t.t. relay. The one in the low-voltage supply is at the right, below the driver transformer. The small coils at the bottom to the left are in the TVI filters in the a.c. input line and in the leads to the jack for an external antenna relay. Those to the right are in the TVI filters for the auxiliary power outlet. The small shield partition in the lower right-hand corner encloses the microphone and key jacks. Controls visible on the panel, from left to right, are for the low-voltage power switch, oscillator switch, mode switch, exciter tuning, v.f.o. tuning, band switch, final tuning, output padders, excitation control, output variable, clipping level, audio gain, and high-voltage power switch.

except that the key is shorted making it unnecessary to hold the key closed while setting frequency.

#### **Keying System**

The time-sequence keying system employs a 12AU7 to control blocking bias voltages to the v.f.o., 6CL6 and 5763 grids. The blocking voltage acts to turn the oscillator on an instant before amplifiers are keyed and to turn it off an instant after the key has been opened. The interval can be adjusted to the point where a breaking station can be heard between dots. The final, which is not keyed, is protected by a combination of fixed bias and a 6AQ5 triode-connected clamper which holds the plate current down to 10 ma. when the key is opened or the excitation otherwise removed.

#### **Audio Section**

A two-stage preamplifier using a single 12AX7 provides adequate gain for a crystal or high-

impedance dynamic microphone. Provision is also made for 500-ohm line input to the cathode of the second stage. The gain control is at the grid of this stage. The microphone input jack carries connections for a push-to-talk switch which operates a relay that closes the key circuit, turning on the exciter, and also closes the primary circuit of the high-voltage transformer.

The preamplifier is followed by a clipper-filter using a 6AL5 dual diode. The clipping level — up to 20 db. — can be adjusted from the panel. The filter restricts the audio-frequency range principally to a band between 250 and 3000 cycles. The filter is followed by a third audio stage using a 6C4 which feeds the 12AU7 driver with its triodes in parallel. The driver is transformer-coupled to the 6146 Class AB<sub>2</sub> modulator.

#### **Power Supply**

The power supply is in two sections. One, using 866s and a single-section choke-input filter, supplies 620 volts for the plates of the final and

modulator tubes and, through dropping resistors, voltage for the screens of the final and modulator. The primary of the plate transformer of this supply is shunted by a connector at the rear for control of external 115-volt a.c. relays. Both are controlled either from a panel switch or the p.t.t. switch.

The other supply, which furnishes all heater power (6.3 volts), has a dual rectifier. One rectifier, using a 5V4 and capacitive-input filter, supplies 300 volts for the plates of the speech amplifier and the plates and screens (through dropping resistors) of the r.f. exciter. Screen voltage to the v.f.o. is stabilized with a 0A2 regulator tube. A tap on this supply is used to operate the push-to-talk relay.

The second rectifier (half-wave) uses a 6BY5GA with its elements in parallel and a capacitive filter. It supplies a negative bias of 265 volts for the keying system and lower voltages for the final and modulator grids. The primary of this supply has a panel control switch which is in series with the primary of the 600-volt supply so that the latter cannot be turned on unless the low-voltage unit supplying bias is in operation.

The power unit is protected by a pair of fuses in the a.c. line plug and a separate fuse in the primary of the low-voltage supply.

#### Auxiliary Power Outlet

The auxiliary power outlet provides a means of using the "Valiant" high- and low-voltage supplies, filament supply and the modulator for operating other equipment. The voltages available are 620 volts at 350 ma., 300 volts at 75 ma., and 6.3 volts at 9 amps. The modulator power output is approximately 100 watts. Removing a jumpered plug from the outlet disconnects the power supply and modulator from the r.f. section, but leaves the modulator connected to its power circuits. The panel power switches and the push-to-talk system of the "Valiant" may be used for control of power to the auxiliary equipment. The control for the external relay is also still available, of course.

#### Metering

A milliammeter calibrated in three current ranges may be switched to read combined v.f.o. and 6CL6 cathode current, 5763 cathode current, grid or cathode current to the final, and cathode current to the modulators. There is also an off position to keep the meter from taking a beating during c.w. operation.

#### Mode Switch

The mode switch has three positions. In the c.w. position, the key is activated, the 620-volt power unit supplies final screen voltage through the clamper-tube system, the screens of the modulator are grounded, and the secondary of the modulation transformer is shorted. In the a.m. position, the key is shorted, the short is removed from the modulation transformer, and the modulator screen voltage is regulated by a pair of 0C3s in series. The clamper is still in operation on a.m. to protect the 6146s during adjustment, or failure of excitation. In the s.s.b. position, the grid of the 5763 stage (this stage as well as the final is operated as a linear on s.s.b.) is disconnected from the 6CL6 output and connected to the s.s.b. input jack, the screens of the modulator are grounded, and the screen voltage to the final is regulated by the 0C3s.

#### General

The "Valiant" is supplied with a one-piece cabinet, tightly bonded to the chassis with a generous supply of screws. The seam between the panel and cabinet is sealed on the outside by the panel which overlaps the cabinet, and on the inside by tightly-wedging baffle strips. All power leads, including those to the meter, panel lamps, auxiliary power outlet, antenna-relay jack, key jack and power plug have capacitor-inductor TVI filters.

The unit measures 21½ inches wide, 17½ inches deep and 11½ inches high. It weighs 83 pounds. Input from the line is 185 watts in stand-by condition, and 560 watts under fully loaded conditions on all modes. — D. M.

## Strays

Because of the unprecedented number of entries in the 23rd ARRL International DX Competition, the June V.H.F. QSO Party and the 1957 Field Day, DX Test results cannot be presented this month. Logs are being processed by Communications Dept. personnel at a rapid rate, however, and final standings will soon appear in *QST*. Please bear with us.

The MARS-USAF Eastern Technical Net continues operation on 3295 kc. and 7540 kc. on Sunday afternoons starting at 1400 EDST.

The list of speakers for September, and their subjects, includes the following:

Sept. 8 — Mr. Robert I. Colin, of Federal Telecommunication Laboratories, will speak on "TACAN, Aerial Navigation."

Sept. 15 — Mr. James Douglas, of Yale University, will speak on "Venus Calling."

Sept. 22 — RADM Rawson Bennett, Chief of Naval Research, will speak on "What Research Has Done For Electronics."

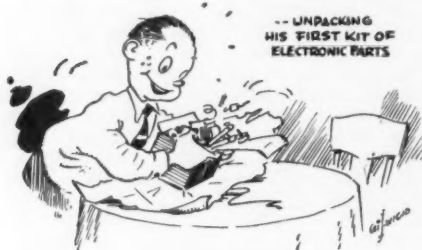
Sept. 29 — Mr. Harry Wallace, of Interference Associates, will speak on "Radio Interference Reduction and Measurements."

# How's Your Soldering?

## Practical Pointers on Making Good Joints

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UNDERSTANDING the art of soldering always has been necessary for the radio constructor, and since the introduction of kits for the amateur, the need is more apparent than ever because of the more complex equipment being put together by beginners. We hope that the following may be of as much interest to the old timer as to the new member of the club excitedly unpacking his first kit of electronic parts.



In order to understand some of the difficulties encountered in soldering it is necessary to appreciate exactly what it is that we are attempting to accomplish. Soldering is the bonding together of two similar (or dissimilar) metals by means of a third metal which exhibits the property of adhesion when in the molten state. The melting temperature of solder, a mixture of tin and lead, is determined by the percentage of tin. The proportions of tin and lead are usually indicated by the manufacturer, 50-50 being a common mixture for electrical work.

The principal obstacle to good soldering is oxidation. The rate at which a metal oxidizes is a measure of its resistance to the adhesive property of the solder. Aluminum will oxidize at a rate practically equal to that at which the melting solder is applied, so regardless of the size of the soldering iron or the melting temperature of the solder, attempting to solder aluminum turns out to be an exasperating ordeal as long as the oxygen ever present in the air is in contact with the aluminum. The thin coating of aluminum oxide that forms will not allow the solder to adhere to the clean metal directly below.

You say you can't construct a vacuum chamber in order to solder two pieces of aluminum together? No need to, since the application of a high viscosity oil or grease immediately on cleaning the surface to be soldered will protect it from the atmosphere and allow the melted solder to gain access to a clean area free of oxidation. An easier way to solder aluminum, should the occasion arise, is to use an aluminum flux. Even so, the amount of energy expended in the preparation of the surface before applying the flux will

• Everybody knows how to solder — or so they think. It will pay to read this, just in case you may have missed one or two of the fine points.

be reflected in the degree of success obtained. This also holds true for other metals than aluminum; stubbornness to the adhesion of solder with any metal merely indicates the presence of oxidation in varying degrees. Soldering two new and shiny pieces of copper together is a real pleasure. So the first rule is that the two surfaces to be soldered must be clean and bright.

### The Importance of Proper Heat

Contrary to the general impression, there is a great deal more to soldering than merely melting the solder with an adequate amount of heat and piling it neatly (or otherwise!) on the junction to be bonded. Surprisingly, there are more people soldering poorly than there are doing an adequate job of soldering. Manufacturers selling equipment in kit form will concur that the largest percentage of trouble experienced by customers is directly traceable to the inability to solder properly.



Take the example of the too-common "rosin joint" or "cold joint." When several connections have to be made to a single tie point the result will often be a cold or rosin connection unless proper precautions are observed. As heat is applied to the solder and the connection, the rosin flows around each individual conductor connected to this particular tie point in order to keep the metal clean and free from oxidation for the solder to follow. If an inadequate amount of heat is applied the rosin will not be displaced by the solder, and as the connection cools a thin coating of rosin actually insulates each connection from the other and the tie point. In a circuit where an appreciable amount of voltage is applied the

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rosin film may break down and may never become evident to the builder. However, the connection might be for the grid of the first audio stage, where we are dealing with a few hundredths of a volt, and in that case we could just as well have left the connection out of the equipment for all the good it will do.

By the same token, excessive heating of a connection will have the same unhappy effects. The solder itself will oxidize when overheated. All of us have had the experience of picking up a soldering iron after a long period of heating on the stand and finding it practically useless. The gray and granular-looking appearance of the tip indicates oxidized solder. Eventually this gives way to a crusty black copper oxide which makes the iron useless until retinned.

Overheating of the connections may also have more serious consequences than a poor connection electrically. The values of composition resistors will change very appreciably with excessive heating, and the semiconductor devices employed in some circuits may be destroyed. A little common sense goes as far in soldering as it does in any other endeavor; use enough heat to make the solder flow freely but don't apply the iron any longer than is necessary to make a good joint.

#### **Applying the Iron and Solder**

The old saying about the craftsman and the condition of his tools certainly applies when one considers the tip of the soldering iron — called, more correctly, the "soldering copper." This copper tip will oxidize at an alarming rate when heated unless it, too, is protected from the atmosphere with a thin coating of solder. During an evening session of soldering it is advisable to wipe the tip clean occasionally with a dry cloth and replace the excess solder just removed with a fresh supply. A heat-regulating stand also will add greatly to the life and usefulness of the instrument. With the tip of the soldering iron in top condition, and using a good grade of solder with a rosin core, one should be able to place the tip on one side of the connection to be soldered and the solder on the opposite side and actually pull the melting solder through the junction as it becomes heated to the proper temperature. In order to provide maximum heat transfer from the tip to the connections to be soldered, it is usually desirable to melt a small amount of solder between the tip and the connection before moving the supply of solder to the other side. But don't attempt to solder by melting the solder against the tip and letting it run onto the work. This will burn up the rosin before it gets a chance to do its job of cleaning the way for the solder itself.

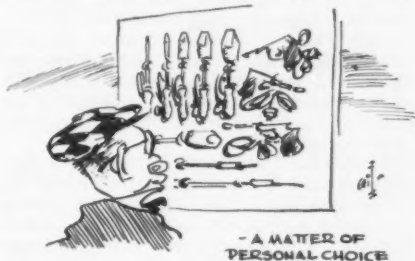
Once the solder is flowing smoothly through the connection there is no need to pile on an excessive amount of solder since it will add little, either electrically or mechanically, to the connection. When in doubt as to the reliability of a given connection merely reheat it, adding the minimum possible amount of solder, and see whether there is any evidence of rosin boiling up through the melted solder. Again keep in mind

that prolonged heating of a connection may have the same ill effects as inadequate heating.

It is generally safe to say that the ease with which the connection takes the solder is a good indication of the reliability of the joint. Connections that seem to take twice as long and twice as much solder as normally expected should be examined closely; the possibility that the solder has flowed away from the joint to nearby connections is ever present. This form of short circuiting is quite common in the crowded areas around tube-socket terminals and the terminals of multiple tie points. Such a difficulty is usually indicative of excessive oxidation of the leads or terminals, and usually a small amount of scraping is necessary in order to achieve the proper electrical connection. Patience is a very rewarding virtue in soldering, since tracking down a poor or intermittent connection later can be as frustrating as trying to put a raw oyster in a parking meter.

#### **Soldering Irons**

The selection of equipment is more or less a matter of personal choice. The present-day market displays a wide variety of soldering pens, guns, and irons of all shapes and sizes, with and without thermostatic control. Experience dic-



tates that at least two sizes are almost an absolute must. Perhaps the most generally useful soldering iron for general building, as well as repair work, is the 60-watt size. This size is small enough to get into fairly tight spots, but still has enough capacity for the heavier connections that are typical of transmitter tank circuits. A fine follow-up for occasional heavy work is the fast-acting two-speed 200-250-watt soldering gun.

A reasonable amount of care should also be used in the selection of solder. Never use reclaimed solder in the construction of electronic equipment of any kind. (If the solder is reclaimed it should be clearly marked on the end of the spool.) By the same token, avoid bargain solders and you'll avoid bargain connections. And always use rosin flux on radio gear.

As is true in all pursuits, experience is the best teacher. The knack of being able to solder almost anything at will comes after exposure to several discouraging defeats. One cannot expect to master soldering in a few easy lessons, but one can improve upon his present ability, regardless of experience, by assuming that there is possibly a little more to learn about it.

**T**RANSMITTER hunting started on the v.h.f. bands, although in recent years it has degenerated, in many quarters, to an activity for mobiles on 10 and 75 meters. But not in Southern New Jersey. Always a hotbed for v.h.f. interest, the area served by the South Jersey Radio Association has seen 2-meter transmitter hunting (and hiding) developed to a fine art. Here is the story of a typical hunt, together with some ideas on equipment and antennas.

Saturday dawned bright and sunny; the first club-sponsored v.h.f. hunt of the season seemed assured of success. The Committee had outdone themselves in their intrigue. Plans called for a two-stage affair, beginning hare-and-hounds style and winding up with a hunt for a fixed station. As the day progressed it became apparent that Brownie and Joe, who manned the quarry, had provided us with some real teasers.

Everyone was checked in so, with putt-putt running in the trunk, Brownie's prewar sedan rumbled out of the park entrance. A vibrator in the audio of his mobile rig ground out a tremendous roar on the local net frequency. Around us the hounds waited impatiently through the specified 3-minute interval before the chase, a motley assortment of beams tracking the signal. At the starter's wave all sped off in the same direction in hot pursuit; all except Wrong-Way Charlie, who with cut-down 10-meter loop and knowing look edged furtively out the back way. Haywire Harry, beam pole set in a tomato can on the running board, made it to the edge of the park, but was forced out when his high quad ran afoul of low branches.

Brownie and Joe, proceeding according to plan, drove at once to Joe's almost-new black V8, parked a few blocks away. They jumped in, fired up an identical transmitter setup and returned to the park by the same route. As an extra dodge they changed from casual summer clothing to business suits, ties and sinister-looking slouch hats. Sitting at the edge of the parking lot they did their best to look like plain-clothes men from the local constabulary, investigating the strange activities in the area.

The parking spot was important, for it had been prepared previously by burying a long run of coax that extended several hundred feet across the bottom of a small lake. There it fed a quarter-wave hair-wire antenna, suspended at water level under a rustic bridge that would be crossed by the returning cars. A switch for changing between the car whip and the remote antenna enabled our rabbits in snap-brim hats to give the hounds a stereophonic feeling, as they followed the shifting scent.

The wagging of antennas in the traffic jam that built up around the bridge was a sight to behold, and the hares surveyed the scene with inward glee. When they felt that enough attention had been brought to bear on the bridge they switched to the car broadcast whip again, leaving the now-dismounted hunters with their sniffers in a disquietingly dead spot. Some of the di-hards persisted, however, and eventually, the

## Transmitter Hunting— South Jersey Style

*Hare and Hounds on 144 Mc.*

BY T. E. STEWART,\* W2TBD

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- The incidents related here are from a film on transmitter hunting that will be presented by the South Jersey Radio Association at the National Convention in Chicago. Whether you see the show or not, we think you'll enjoy W2TBD's story of a typical day in SJRA's summer hunting season.

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hidden wire and its coax were discovered. But the purpose of the hunt is to find the transmitter; finding the antenna is only an early stage, especially in this instance where the coax ran off into the murky depths in a long loop purposely lying in the wrong direction. Everyone was here now but Wrong-Way Charlie, who was at a filling station several miles away, dissecting his gear to find out what had become of the signal.

Uncle Phil reasoned that even well-laid plans did not include waterproofing the transmitter. The coax must come out of that pond somewhere!

\* Sunset Trail, R.F.D. 2, Medford, N. J.





Finding a soft spot in the sand after much searching, he triumphantly dug up the cable — a few feet from the end recently cast off by the hares. They had moved unobtrusively to another spot, passing close by a bench where Eddie sat, changing batteries in his sniffer. Ed was startled to see his meter hit the pin, but he charged it off to a battery short!

From this spot the quarry maintained their outwardly unfriendly appearance until doggedly tracked down by Phil and Ed, who made several passes before building up courage to challenge the forbidding-looking pair. The field was close behind — all except Charlie, who was now beating his way back for a fresh start.

The second phase of the hunt got under way as soon as the hunters could get into position. This time a strong signal was picked up from a direction that indicated the heart of the city. Again everyone was off in the same direction — except Charlie, who had come up just in time to make a right turn and head for the suburbs.

Miscellaneous sources of r.f. power get "found" during these sessions. Chet and Augie thought that a main highway would save them time. Stopping for gas, they noted that their sensitive sniffer was showing a strong indication, while resting on the back seat. Hooking on the beam, they tracked down the source, and spent some minutes outside WCAU, 50-kw. a.m. station. A

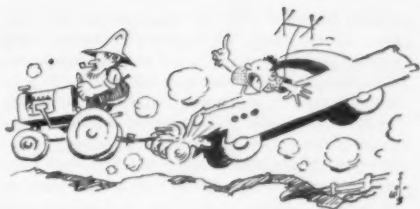


member of the hunt committee was employed there; this must be it. Disillusionment set in when they finally plugged in headphones and listened to the broadcast program.

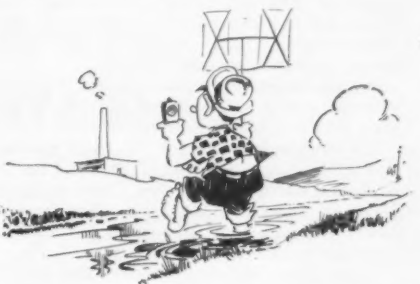
Frankie thought the country route was attractive. With a good signal on his meter he turned into a lane alongside a field where a farmer was working with a tractor. Making a sweep around the end of the field, the farmer turned close to the car to look over its crazy occupant suspiciously and started down another row with his cultivator — and Frankie's car, which had become firmly impaled, in tow!

Red was confused by a strong signal and wandered off into the suburbs. At one point he found it necessary to wade across a small stream. He was met on the other side by a helpful gentleman who suggested that a bath might now be in order, since he had just crossed the outlet of the village sewage-disposal plant.

Coop worked methodically downtown, and was



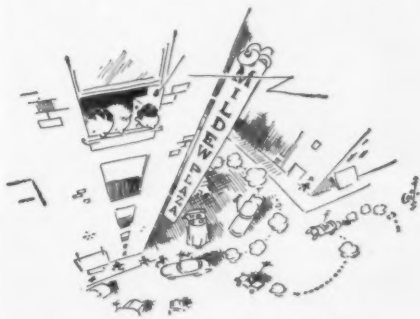
observed in the process of examining several metal trash cans in back of a local restaurant. Possibly they were close to resonance, for he seemed to be getting good readings. Sam was also working the downtown area, and getting good signals. His car began overheating, and he stopped to lift up the hood and have a look. The voice of the hidden station operator called through his receiver, "It's not in there!"



The fine view of the downtown hunting was afforded by the site of the hidden station, several stories up in a hostelry known locally as Mildew Plaza. Brownie and Joe watched the fun as each party arrived. Latecomers found Phil resting in the lobby. He had just discovered that the wide variety of readings he had obtained in sniffing the lobby had resulted from various positions of the old-fashioned cage elevator, and not from closeness or remoteness of the quarry.

Again everyone had arrived but Charlie. His propensity for wrong turns had worked out well, however. He'd found Frankie and was helping him drag his bus out of the cultivated field.

In the systematic floor-by-floor, door-by-door



search that followed, an unexpected clue gave the hiders away. CCS operation with ICAS ratings had proved too much for the hidden station. Sensing that the familiar smell of a hot power supply was positive evidence, Eddie abandoned radio methods and started sniffing at transoms. There was soon no doubt about which door to open. There was nothing left then but to air out the room and call the rest of the gang together for distribution of prizes and refreshments — and for the riotous post-mortems that are an inevitable part of any day's hunting.

### Hints on Hunts

**Receivers** — Most hunters use Communicators, but they quickly find that the green eye is much too insensitive to serve well as a signal-strength indicator. A common approach is to connect a microammeter from the a.v.c. line to ground. This can be done with a wire connected at the magic-eye tube and brought out through the back of the case for connection to the meter. This reduces the a.v.c. action and gives a very satisfactory indication of signal strength.

Several fellows use converted 522 receivers, with conventional noise limiter and S meter circuits. The *Handbook* is helpful here.

My receiver is a Mallory TV tuner running into an old auto receiver chassis that still has its audio and power supply intact. Three stages of 21-Mc. i.f. and a diode detector and S meter were added. There are other more-or-less conventional converter-receiver combinations.

Hunting is a two-stage process. The general locality is reached through the use of a fairly sensitive receiver and indicator, and then the process is taken over by the "sniffer."

**Antennas** — The cubical quad with reflector is popular. The driven element usually has two turns, and is fed with 75-ohm coaxial line, through a balun. (See Fig. 1.) The reflector is a 1-turn loop, with hairpin or capacitor tuning. W2PAU

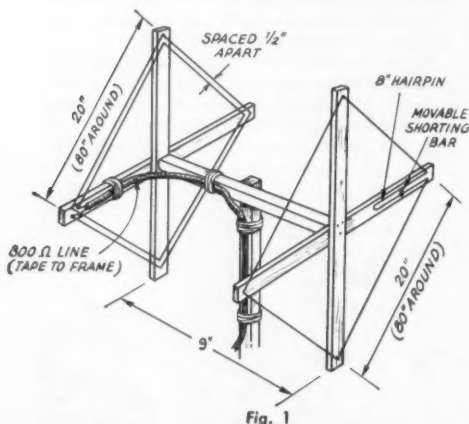


Fig. 1

uses a single-turn driven element fed through 75-ohm coax and a detuning section which is wrapped around the supporting pole. Quads seem

to show less effect from the car body than other antenna types. By means of careful tuning they give a very useful pattern for hunting purposes: a broad frontal lobe and low back response. Tuning of the reflector is critical, but is found readily by adjusting for a single rear lobe, rather than a split one. The quad shown in the sketch is for vertical polarization. For horizontal, rotate the boom 90 degrees in the vertical plane.

Conventional parasitic arrays and all-driven arrays have been tried. The parasitic array varies so greatly with changes in its relation to the car body that it is somewhat unreliable. All-driven systems can be made to give very high front-to-back ratio, but adjustment is fussy.

Loops of the type used in hunting on lower frequencies are generally too insensitive for our purposes, where a single antenna is used for both initial reception and close-in tracking down.

A quad array is big enough so that few hunters care to carry two on the chase. They use a single array, arranged for quick disconnection from the car and reconnection to the sniffer unit. Ski racks come in handy for rigging mounts that are readily removed when the hunt is over. (Few families fancy riding around in a car that is permanently equipped with a 2-element quad!)

**Sniffers** — These are small portable field-strength meters. A parallel tuned circuit with a crystal diode and meter tapped down toward the cold end as shown in Fig. 2 will do. Transistor d.e. amplifiers are helpful in extending the useful

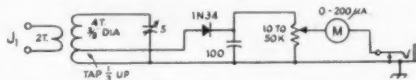


Fig. 2

range of such devices. R.f. amplifiers help still more. The 6AJ5 is a good tube for such r.f. amplifier service. It is like a 6AK5, but it works well on very low plate voltage.

Most sleuths like to have coaxial switching, so that the antenna can be changed from the receiver to the sniffer quickly. You soon get to recognize the approximate signal level at which the sniffer can be used, but it is helpful to be able to change back and forth at will. The meter should be arranged so that it can be "worn" but don't forget to provide for quick disconnecting here. RCA-type phono plugs and jacks are fine — and they will prevent you from breaking your neck or wrecking some of the gear, when you dash madly out of your car in the excitement of closing in on the prey!

*Ideas from "SJRA Harmonics,"  
June, 1957, Issue*

Arrange your d.f. antenna so that it can be rotated from inside the car, and while the car is in motion. Too much time will be wasted if you have to stop to take bearings. Also, bearings may change due to reflections; the average of a number of readings is better than a single fix. And unless you are psychic, or have a partner who is,

it's best to arrange your setup so that you can work it while driving. Most successful hunters prefer to work alone. (Who cares about dented fenders, anyway?)

Existing antennas on the car should be removed, run down, or folded flat, to avoid the possibility of their gumming up readings. Minor reflections can prevent a sharp null, often helpful in accurate tracking close in.

Super-regenerative receivers are simple, but visual indication is difficult to obtain with them. Audio output meters can be used if the signal is modulated — but this opens up another avenue for the hidden station operator to confuse the hunters.

In using a conventional v.h.f. receiver for strong signals, it is handy to be able to reduce the r.f. gain. This can be done by applying controlled bias to the r.f. amplifier stage, or by inserting a variable r.f. attenuator in the antenna

feed line. For best results the control should act on the first r.f. stage, and not only on the i.f. stages, as so many "r.f. gain controls" do.

Tuning the d.f. antenna for maximum front-to-back ratio is important. Do this under ideal conditions, if possible. This means a clear space free of reflections, with known direction to source of r.f. power having same polarization as your array.

#### **New Life for Old Clubs**

If your club customarily folds up for two months during the summer, you're missing one of the best possible bets for building up club spirit and giving everyone a pile of fun. Hunts held before regular meetings, or during week-end picnics, will make the summer season the best of the whole year for the club, instead of a time when club relations fall apart, and have to be picked up again in the fall. Happy hunting!

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## **Strays**

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One of the most worth-while club projects which has come to our attention in a number of moons is the publication of a Greater Kansas City Call Book by the Heart of America Radio Club of Kansas City, Missouri. This project was sparkplugged by Ben Walker, K0AEU, President of HARC. All amateurs residing within a radius of approximately fifty miles of Kansas City are included, being listed by call and cross referenced by both geographical location and last name. The book is a standard 8½ x 11 page size and contains approximately one thousand hams. Wherever possible, their telephone listing is also included. This can be of tremendous advantage to travelling hams who approach the Kansas City area, for if they sight a ham installation, they will be more than welcome to stop and browse through the Call Book.

Other clubs can undertake a similar project with the entire cost covered by the advertising obtained. — W1FL-W0WYK

"Man bites dog," says W6YY. A Russian sent John a 10-ruble note, asking for W6YY's QSL.

KN4OWM tells us that within less than two hours one morning he worked both KN4KID and KN4OLD!

How to confuse the postmaster! VE1QY and VE1YQ both live in Yarmouth.

Even W1AW has gotten into the coincidence act. Two consecutive contacts the other night were W3FOX and W3DEN.

Field Day? No, this is the General Class tent of K3BSA at the Fourth National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America. Another tent nearby housed the Novice shack. From July 12 through July 18 the station worked nearly a thousand hams, many of them Scouts, on all bands from 80 through 2 meters. About 350 amateurs and at least twice that number of SWLs visited the station in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, during the week, but the lucky ones on watch when the Norristown Times Herald photographer came by were K9AYI, W9WVM, K2EAZ and Idaho SWL Kent Johnson.

K3BSA also played an important part in the very beautiful ceremony used to close the Jamboree. Early in the morning of July 18 the station had a schedule with KC4USA and recorded the voice of Explorer Scout Dick Chappell, who is with the polar expedition, reciting the Scout Oath. That evening, the tape was played back in the main arena, and more than 50,000 Scouts, each holding a lighted candle, joined Dick in rededicating themselves to the principles of the movement.



# Side Band

R. B. BOURNE,\* WIANA

THE EARLIEST recollections, 1924. The eavesdropping on transatlantic telephone conversations. The coming of the speech inverter. The end of the eavesdropping. The long lapse of time. The appearance of side band on ham frequencies. The articles in *QST*. The mild interest. Norgaard's demonstrations at hamfests. The appearance of more stations on the air. The unnatural sound of the thing. The difficulty in tuning it in. The acquiring of knowledge. The modicum of study. The fooling around. The irritations. The greater ease of tuning it in. The lousy rigs. The drifting v.f.o.'s. The drifting b.f.o.'s. The thumbs down.

The old timers taking it up. The young squirts messing around with it. The encroachment on long-used spots in the band. The holier-than-thou's. The moving down of five kc. The further encroachment. The moving down of ten kc. The actual appearance of the stuff in "sacred" parts of the band. The recognition of well-known voices. The sprinkling of excellent side-band stations. The real nice guys. The stinkers. The compatibles

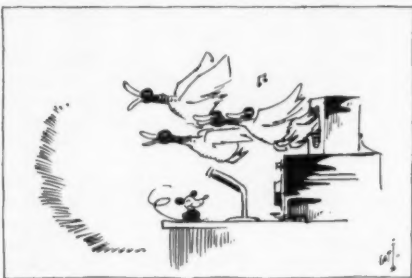


and the incompatibles. The neutral attitude.

The diehards. The never-dies. The delicate inferences. The polite innuendoes. The not-so-polite innuendoes. The horselaughs. The Disneyisms. The open insults. The bitter feuds. The face-the-facts arguments. The calm arbiters.

The proven worth of the stuff. The deliberate interferences. The mounting disgust. The changing to another band. The return to the original band. The changing face of the band. The realization of progress. The sensation of slipping a little. The borrowed exciter. The lash-up. The crazy patterns on the scope. The timid barefoot try-out. The immediate response. The considerable thrill. The making of new acquaintances. The renewing of old friendships. The new vocabulary. The adaptation to new procedures. The desire for more power. The attempt to get it. The bow tie from the exciter. The flattened bow tie from the lash-up "linear". The continuing contacts on a.m. The ribbing from old friends. The lingering doubts. The reluctant return of the

loaned equipment. The gloating of the "I-told-you-so's."



The progress in the art. The appearance of modest "black boxes." The discussions of commercial rigs over the air. The troubles from too rapid development. The ups and downs in the trade. The careful watching of trends. The appearance of new rigs on the market. The lapse of time. The inescapable conclusion. The look at the checkbook. The unexpected expenses. The enforced delay. The appearance of a new package. The glowing reports. The continuing glowing reports.

The placing of the order. The cash on the barrel head. The early delivery. The peachy little wireless sender. The clacking antenna relay. The soundproof box. The noisy fan. The resilient mounting. The coax fittings and jungle of cable. The reluctance to give up the half-gallon a.m. rig. The making of more new friends. The swell guys. The genuine welcome. The compliments. The absence of wisecracks.

The slipping of some diehards. The appearance of same on side band. The pulling in of necks. The two-grand jobs. The homemade jobs. The not-so-linears. The power gluttons. The



timid ones. The chronic yackers. The sameness of voices. The learning to distinguish. The careful tuning. The passing of the armchair. The better stabilities. The return to the armchair. The enjoyment of side band. The enjoyment of a.m. The satisfaction of having good rigs.

It's here to stay.

\* 27 Sulgrave Road, West Hartford, Conn.

# Results of Armed Forces Day 1957

Two hundred and thirty contestants have been mailed certificates of merit signed by C. E. Wilson, Secretary of Defense, in recognition of making perfect copy of the special Armed Forces Day message to radio amateurs. The message was transmitted at 25 w.p.m. by military stations on 18 May 1957. Certificate winners of the c.w. message contest are as follows:

JASAE, K2s CJQ GME FMM KSP RMC UGZ UUU YOP OWZ, KA2NA, KN2HAR, K4s ARF ASU CQE HIA IFW LGA, KN4OSM, K5s AOV DMR, K6s CME CFC DCF DV DYX EKN GIV GZ IOY IYJ LNG NRV PXJ RQB VCT WDG, KH0s BLT BUU FX UK ZJX, KL7BZA, KL7WAF, K9CXD, K9s AMC GIB BHD, VE8OJ, W1s BGW GZQ JBY LSX MEG SRM TNFWDW WPR YGV ZYO, W2s AXS CPA ENS GEX GWG JCA JOA KAT MZB NKD NVB SSC TUK UAP ZMK ZRX, W3s ADE BFF BKE CUL DAG ECP EOY HJ KSQ LGK MCG VXI WHK WZC ZJ, W4s EFM HOJ IMI KLT LTV UHF UMO WDF WHK ZPR, W5s FEM FGO GKV JPC PCL PZP SPZ USA WUR ZU, W6s AAW ASH ASJ AW AXV BHG CG CIS CLB CWR ESQ EY FJJ FHY FYW FZC GYH IZ FJY KF KG MAV MYP MGZ NAV OCX OES OWP THQ TXE USA USY VPC WLI WPI WX ZPX ZOL, W7s BHH CO DDY EBS EYF EYX FIX FOS FWD FWR KQX LT OCX SMR VI WYP YKT, W8s BKM DAE FFK HS LJV IEX PHA QJ TND VMD YCP, W9s AKP CBE CXV HQZ HUP MAK NDN OCB STZ WNB, W0s ANB DRB ECE LHP NHZ UPE RXG TIU WET WIN WKO, KW6CB.

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## Military-to-Amateur Contacts

Operating on military frequencies AIR, NSS, and WAR worked amateurs in the 80-40-20 and 15 meter bands, using c.w., a.m., s.s.b., and RTTY. The three military stations made a total of 1348 contacts.

## Radioteletypewriter Receiving Competition

The radioteletypewriter receiving competition featured a joint message from the Chief Signal Officer, U. S. Army, Director, Naval Communications and the Director of Communications U. S. Air Force. A total of 121 entries were received with 102 of these making a perfect copy. A letter of acknowledgment was sent to each amateur participant who submitted a copy made from the transmission of this message. RTTY winners of letters of merit are as follows:

K2s DRJ GMC CQ HHH HHJ, K4HIA, K5WAB, K6s BWJ GB BHF KFF NKK OUR WDG, KNOKV, W1s BGW EFF PIL, W2s CTQ CHH EBZ ICA KDW KLD LRW NRQ RTW RUI SMX TAM, W3s CA LGK MHD WTW, W4s AWN EAS EHW GVK MN RTZ ZJU, W5s AEE ASJ CG CBF CLW CQI CQK CV FHI FZC JAU MTC NCP NSS OGD OJF PZV VPC YDK, W7s CO DDY MEV PSO RGD WQD, W8s CRY DXM HUG LEX TLW, W9s AKP GLR NVE GRW PTZ TCJ VOK EVN, W0s FWD HBD JHY JU RAC, VE3BAD.

The military departments are pleased with the increased participation of the amateurs in this contest. Next year's contest will be planned to provide for greater coverage and improved fre-

quency assignments to lessen interference. Additionally, special attention will be given to the novice bands.

## Text of Armed Forces Day Message From the Secretary of Defense

On this eighth annual observance of Armed Forces Day it is my pleasure to extend greetings to all radio amateurs throughout the world. Your participation in this phase of the Armed Forces Day Program indicates your interest in an alliance with a group of individuals which has an important role in this era of rapid technological advance. Through consistent voluntary effort you have earned noteworthy credits in research and development of electronic communications, in disaster relief and emergency situations, in the technical training of others in communications fields and in the betterment of international relationships. As Secretary of Defense I commend you for your valued contributions and welcome your participation in this Armed Forces Day Program.

C. E. WILSON  
SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

## Radioteletype Message to all Amateurs

The communications services of the Armed Forces take great pride in the development of Amateur Radio Teletypewriter services, the new techniques that have been employed and the technical advances that have been achieved in the course of this development. All amateurs are urged to continue the development and operation of this media of transmission. Your efforts in pioneering in new techniques and providing a superior traffic handling facility by developing Amateur Radio Teletypewriter Nets are instrumental in carrying on the great tradition of Amateur Radio. You are extended the congratulations and best wishes of your comrades in the Armed Forces for your continued success in this field.

ALVIN L. PACHYNSKI  
MAJOR GENERAL, USAF  
DIRECTOR OF COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS  
J. D. O'CONNELL  
MAJOR GENERAL, USA  
CHIEF SIGNAL OFFICER  
H. C. BRUTON  
REAR ADMIRAL, USN  
DIRECTOR OF NAVAL COMMUNICATIONS

## Strays

W6NOB reports that Dr. Lee de Forest will be featured on the "This is Your Life" TV program Wednesday, September 11.

## OUR COVER

We are beginning to receive the usual fine assortment of logs and photos resulting from Field Day activity. First reports indicate that in some areas the weather was beautiful, in others miserable. But rain or shine, all the "regulars" were on the air for this annual event, as well as many of the newcomers. Our cover this month shows the operating position at W9ERU/9. It was a two-transmitter setup on c.w., and the boys claim 628 contacts. That's W9CZB at the left, with W9ERU to the right. (You say this is a wireless station?) More details on Field Day in a later issue.

— Photo by K9BJA





West Virginia contacts were supplied by many club groups working from mountain sites in that hard-to-get state. Here members of the Aero Amateur Radio Club of Baltimore take time out from their operation of W3PGA/8. Left to right: W3KLA, W3JDF, W3YQD, W3WZL. WN3JJF was getting in sack time. Group made 286 contacts for 7300 points on 3 bands.

## June V.H.F. Party Summary

**50-Mc. DX  
and Widespread Portable  
Activity Trigger Reward  
Scoring**

**L**OOKING through the file on the June V.H.F. Party makes a reporter wish that he'd saved up superlatives used in earlier reports, for the week end of June 8 and 9 provided more and bigger in just about every category by which such activities may be judged. There were far more logs than in any previous June or September Party, higher scores, more 6-meter DX, more ARRL Sections represented, more Technicians, more portable and multiple-operator entries — all of which added up to more fun, for nearly everyone. "Best contest ever!" appearing on numerous logs, just about sums it up.

For the first time in v.h.f. contest history, more than 500 contacts were made by two group stations at opposite ends of the country. With a tremendous cooperative effort, the Waltham Amateur Radio Association, operating W1MHL/1 from their accustomed haunt atop Pack Monadnock Mountain, Peterboro, N. H., made 592 contacts on 50, 144, 220, and 432 Mc. Ever expect to see a 32-element 6-meter beam? A 128-element 144-Mc. array — that tilts as well as rotates? They were only two of the features of the W1MHL/1 layout. Also used were a 64-element 432-Mc. array and a 32-element job on 220 Mc. Equipment included a kilowatt transmitter on 144, 500 watts on 50, 300 watts on 220 and 50 watts on 432, all with the best in crystal-controlled converters — the works set up for simultaneous operation on the 4 bands. Portable? Must have been, for it was all taken up to "The Pack" for that one week end! The 50-Mc. band provided 327 contacts, 144 Mc. 228, 220 Mc. 28 and 432 Mc. 9, for 36,482 points. Section multiplier: 58! How long will this record stand?

K6OEE/6, of the San Bernardino Microwave Society, operating from Sierra Peak in the Los

Helen Harris, W1HOY, Medfield, Mass., worked 309 stations in 28 sections on 50 Mc., for 8652 points for the country's highest competitive score by a home station. This won her the E. Mass. Section award, a Technician award, and the distinction of having broken about every 50-Mc. contest record. Rig, not in picture, runs 1 kw., and feeds a 16-element array.



Angeles Section, piled up 510 contacts on 50, 144, 220, 420, 1215, 2400, 3300 and 10,000 Mc. — 8 bands! Their multiplier of 29 (they were not favored with so much 50-Mc. DX as the easterners) gave them 17,110 points, a West-of-the-Mississippi record that will be hard to beat.

Top single-operator score made by W1UIZ/1, Mt. Equinox, near Manchester, Vt. George made 270 contacts on 4 bands, with a multiplier of 50, for 16,900 points. His 12 sections on 220 Mc. probably set a record for that band. The country's highest home-station competitive score was made by Helen Harris, W1HOY, whose sleepless iron-man operating netted 309 contacts in 28 sections, for 8652 points. This little chore was accomplished on 50 Mc. only — and it earned Helen the Eastern Massachusetts Section award, along with above-mentioned honors. A Technician award goes along with this, too. Other Technicians who won top honors in their sections, regardless of class of license, were W9ROS, Illinois, W9JCI/9, Wisconsin, W5KRH/5, Mississippi, W8SDK, Michigan, W0WEQ, Missouri, W1ZW/1, Western Massachusetts, W7PRW, Washington, W6PBC, Santa Clara Valley, W5NSJ, New Mexico, W4AZC, Alabama.

With 50 Mc. open periodically through the party, that band played a larger part in the scoring than probably ever before, but there was some fine work in the 2-meters-only category, too. W2ONV, Garfield, N. J., did right well on 144 Mc. with 280 contacts in 17 sections, for 4700 points. K0EMQ, and W0YPT found it possible to work 7 sections on 144 Mc., surprising totals for Iowa stations.

Fine June weather brought out a phenomenal number of portable stations, and they stayed out through the whole party, in most instances. The expedition phase of the June and September parties is growing all the time, as groups find that, as on Field Day, just getting out to a choice location with a friendly gang and a collection of ham gear is great fun, even if you don't go for top honors. The means are more important than the end for many v.h.f. party expeditions, though multioperator awards are increasing steadily.

Expeditions to otherwise hard-to-get states and sections give the contests a big lift. Vermont and West Virginia were well taken care of in the East. The Aero Amateur Radio Club of Baltimore did yeoman service in West Virginia with W3PGA/8, making 286 contacts for 7300 points. They just nosed out the Nation Capital V.H.F. Society, making their first trip as a club group, with W3MPT/8. The Washington gang made 243 contacts in 28 sections, for 7140. Three other groups of W3s and 4s that we know of journeyed to the West Virginia mountains to help the cause along. Vermont, now boasting quite a few home-station regulars on 6 and 2, had W1NBN/1 on Burke Mountain, near the Canadian Border, W1UIZ/1 on Mt. Equinox, in the central part of the state, and W1FMK/1 and others on the always-populated Hogback Mountain, near the Massachusetts line.

W9JCI took the famous "Hearsemobile" 50-Mc. rock-crusher (pictures coming up in QST soon) out to Lapham Peak, Delafield, Wis., and worked an even 200 stations in 20 sections on 6. Special addition for this occasion was a 6-element



V.h.f. man from 'way back, W7QLZ, operated this pickup truck station from Humboldt Fire Lookout, Arizona. Modified TV antennas provide 4 elements on 50 Mc. and 5 on 144. Halo and whips can be used in motion.

long Yagi, which overpowered even the long black car underneath.

V.h.f. expeditions jammed the mountain peaks the length of the West Coast, from San Diego to Seattle, helping mightily to keep W6s and 7s happy with their otherwise rather limited possibilities in the section multiplier department. Rivalry between the San Bernardino Microwave Society and the Two Meter and Down Club of Los Angeles, W6EMM/6, was a considerable factor in promoting the use of the bands above 144 Mc. Reports from the Los Angeles and San Diego Sections, particularly, showed a sharp upswing in contest interest. W6CDT/6, San Carlos Peak, provided one of the best scores from the Bay area. Still farther north, W7OTV/7 and W7PUA/7 hit new highs for Oregon and Washington activity. W7PUA/7 used 50, 144, 220, 432 and 10,000 Mc. to work 137 stations for 2072 points.

Sharp operators on 50 Mc. showed that, band openings or no, ionospheric scatter is a fine way to build up section multipliers. W4IKK, Rome, Ga., picked up 8 of his 20 sections in this way.

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# Happenings of the Month

## ELECTION NOTICE

**To All Full Members of the American Radio Relay League Residing in the Atlantic, Canadian, Dakota, Delta, Great Lakes, Midwest, Pacific and Southeastern Divisions:**

An election is about to be held in each of the above-mentioned divisions to choose both a director and a vice-director for the 1958-1959 term. These elections constitute an important part of the machinery of self-government of ARRL. They provide the constitutional opportunity for members to put the direction of their association in the hands of representatives of their own choosing. The election procedures are specified in the By-Laws. A copy of the Articles of Association and By-Laws will be mailed to any member upon request.

Nomination is by petition, which must reach the Headquarters by noon of September 20. Nominating petitions are hereby solicited. Ten or more Full Members of the League residing in any one of the above-named divisions may join in nominating any eligible Full Member residing in that division as a candidate for director therefrom, or as a candidate for vice-director therefrom. No person may simultaneously be a candidate for both offices; if petitions are received naming the same candidate for both offices, his nomination will be deemed for director only and his nomination for vice-director will be void. Inasmuch as all the powers of the director are transferred to the vice-director in the event of the director's resignation or death or inability to perform his duties, it is of as great importance to name a candidate for vice-director as it is for director. The following form for nomination is suggested:

### Executive Committee

*The American Radio Relay League  
West Hartford 7, Conn.*

We, the undersigned Full Members of the ARRL residing in the ..... Division, hereby nominate ..... of ..... as a candidate for director; and we also nominate ..... of ..... as a candidate for vice-director; from this division for the 1958-1959 term.  
(Signatures and addresses)

The signers must be Full Members in good standing. The nominee must be a Full Member and the holder of an amateur license, and must have been a member of the League for a continuous term of at least four years at the time of his election. No person is eligible who is commercially engaged in the manufacture, sale or rental of radio apparatus capable of being used in radio communications, or is commercially engaged in the publication of radio literature intended in whole or in part for consumption by radio amateurs.

All such petitions must be filed at the headquarters office of the League in West Hartford, Conn., by noon EDT of the 20th day of September, 1957. There is no limit to the number of petitions that may be filed on behalf of a given

candidate but no member shall append his signature to more than one petition for the office of director and one petition for the office of vice-director. To be valid, a petition must have the signature of at least ten Full Members in good standing; that is to say, ten or more Full Members must join in executing a single document; a candidate is not nominated by one petition bearing six valid signatures and another bearing four. Petitioners are urged to have an ample number of signatures, since nominators are occasionally found not to be Full Members in good standing. It is not necessary that a petition name candidates both for director and for vice-director but members are urged to interest themselves equally in the two offices.

League members are classified as Full Members and Associate Members. Only those possessing Full Membership may nominate candidates or stand as candidates; members holding Associate Membership are not eligible to either function.

Voting by ballots mailed to each Full Member will take place between October 1 and November 20, except that if on September 20th only one eligible candidate has been nominated, he will be declared elected.

Present directors and vice-directors for these divisions are as follows: *Atlantic:* Gilbert L. Crossley, W3YA, and Charles O. Badgett, W3LYF. *Canadian:* Alex Reid, VE2BE, and William R. Savage, VE6EO. *Dakota:* Alfred M. Gowan, W0PHR, and Forrest Bryant, W0FDS. *Delta:* Victor Canfield, W5BSR, and Milton W. Kirkpatrick, W5KYC. *Great Lakes:* John H. Brabb, W8SPF, and Robert L. Davis, W8EYE. *Midwest:* Robert W. Denniston, W0NWX, and Sumner H. Foster, W0GQ. *Pacific:* Harry M. Engwicht, W6HC, and Harold L. Lucero, W6JDN. *Southeastern:* James P. Born, Jr., W4ZD, and Thomas M. Moss, W4HYW.

Full Members are urged to take the initiative and to file nominating petitions immediately.

For the Board of Directors:

A. L. BUDLONG  
Secretary

July 1, 1957

## TV RECEIVER RADIATION

In this department last month (page 63) we reported an FCC proposal to relax present restrictions on certain radiation from radio receivers and also published the text of the League's comment opposed to such relaxation. We are now pleased to report that the Commission's decision in this matter, Docket 12018, is wholly in our favor. In part, FCC said, "Comments from the American Radio Relay League, Inc., indicated that the Commission's proposal to relax the 100 uv limit above 9 Mc. will not afford sufficient protection from television broadcast receiver interference to amateur operations in the 14 and 21 Mc. bands. Comments have also been received from other parties recommending that the Commission not relax its existing radio receiver interference standards. It appears that the most prevalent source of power line interference is television broadcast receivers. The Commission has therefore decided not to relax its present limit with respect to this particular type of device . . ."

## N. Y. TOWER CASE

While it is impossible for the League to provide

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# Correspondence From Members-

The publishers of *QST* assume no responsibility for statements made herein by correspondents.

## SORRY, SOLD!

17 Whittier St.  
Dover, New Hampshire

Editor, *QST*:

Probably you have been advised of the "power" of the *QST* Ham-Ads before but W1AXW is yelling for help, succor, relief from further inquiries. All items were sold within one week after the June *QST* hit, mostly via long distance telephone and telegrams. Since then I have answered over one hundred inquiries, returned checks and not answered at all several more worded "if you still have."

Being conscientious, or something, I had to answer them all and my "profit" is diminishing rapidly as well as my "high moment of inertia" being seriously disrupted.

Anyway, my sincere compliments on the results. If I have any more items to clean out, the Ham-Ad is the way.

—Homer H. Richardson, W1AXW

## ORDERLY PILE-UPS

7724 — 14th Fitzpatrick  
Seattle 5, Washington

Editor, *QST*:

When a foreign station calls CQ DX, he barely has time to sign off before at least a dozen W stations are hot after him, and generally the one with the loudest and most powerful signal gets him.

Why would it not be possible for the foreign station to listen for several minutes, taking down the calls of the various stations who have answered his CQ, and then answer them in the order in which he copied them.

As an example of what I mean, suppose FJIPA calls CQ DX and is answered by several DX hunters. Of this number in the confusion that reigns, he is able to take down the call letters of six.

FJIPA then sends CQ DX de FJIPA Nr 1 to Nr 6 BT W6— W6— BT W5— W5— BT W7— W7— de FJIPA Nw Nr 1 W6— KN

When FJIPA is finished with Nr 1 W6—, he sends 73 de FJIPA SK BK (Break, not Back) Nw Nr 2 W6— de FJIPA KN

After he has disposed of Nr 6 he could send out another CQ DX and pick up some of those who were not included in the first group.

With this procedure each answering station who is included in the multiple address, i.e. Nr 1 to Nr 6, knows where he stands and awaits his turn. This should eliminate a lot of unnecessary calling and confusion.

This idea may be a screwy one but remember you don't have to be crazy to be a communicator, although it helps.

—G. W. Fitzpatrick, W7VX

## NEED WYOMING?

Box 670  
Worldand, Wyoming

Editor, *QST*:

Read OM Johnson's article in July *QST* on how he made his WAS. Would be glad to make a sked with anyone that needs a Wyoming contact and this offer is not restricted to ops with 47 states confirmed. Would like to make WAS myself but found out shortly after going on the air that almost every contact sent "Cr my first Wyo. contact, pœ QSL" somewhere in the QSO. As a result I rarely send out a CQ of my own, but look for someone calling and I get just as much kick out of being a "First Wyo." as I do out of getting a new state. So any of you YLs, XYLs and OMs that want to RC, just give me a shout. Have the following crystals: 3.716, 3.726, 3.741; 7.156, 7.170, 7.177, 7.191; 21.22 and 21.15.

—Bob De Vries, WN7HAL

## SWAP?

Mt. Washington Observatory  
Gorham, New Hampshire

Editor, *QST*:

I'm just wondering if any other hams would care to trade a nice high mountain for an isolated little spot in the valley. If those fellows who live in the city think they have TVI problems, listen to what we have to contend with up here.

I work on top of Mt. Washington, N. H., in the weather observatory. This is the highest mountain in the northeastern U. S. and used to be a pretty good spot for ham radio, especially v.h.f. But now look what's happened. There is a TV station about twenty feet away. Inside the TV station there are three relay transmitters on three separate frequencies used for commercial aircraft flying up and down the east coast. Certain harmonics on all the ham bands up through 6 meters fall right on these frequencies. I've got so many little strips of tape pasted on my v.f.o. dial on spots where I would cause interference that the transmitter looks like an overgrown "Band-Aid." Now there is talk of two f.m. stations possibly moving up here in a vacant building about twenty feet away. If this happens, I may as well trade the v.f.o. in for one good stable crystal.

We have problems in our own building also. In the basement about ten feet from the ham shack we have some very sensitive electronic equipment which counts high energy neutrons coming in through the atmosphere. On occasion, my phone signal has been rectified in one of the numerous connections in these circuits and I have run the count up sky high. There are four TV sets on the mountain which are a potential problem. Ours, incidentally, is an old Du-Mont about 12 years old which still has the original picture tube and is still going strong.

Even without these problems, you can't put up a decent antenna up here. It wouldn't stay up more than a day or two in the winter because of extremely high winds and heavy icing. Mt. Washington still holds the all-time record for the highest wind ever recorded over the surface of the earth, 231 m.p.h. on April 12, 1934. I bet Larson Rapp's antenna would work like mad up here if you could dig a hole through solid rock to bury it, hi. I have to be satisfied with two dipoles up in the attic. Nevertheless, I still think ham radio is the greatest hobby ever.

Incidentally if any of the fellows plan to come up here for any future v.h.f. contests, I think they would do better down around the seven mile post on the auto road (1 mile from the top) due to the interference they would probably get from us on our regular weather skeds on 34.02 Mc. and also from the strong r.f. from the local TV station.

You wouldn't think an old "rock pile" like this would present so many problems for ham radio.

—William A. Harris, W1HQZ

## INCENTIVE, CONTINUED

1175 Laurelwood Road  
Mansfield, Ohio

Editor, *QST*:

Let's quit kidding ourselves about the "incentive" angle to allowing special privileges for Class A Operators. Sure, those fellows deserve credit for taking the examination, whether they memorized the answers or not.

But Class A is a closed membership club now and those of us who don't belong to this exclusive circle are not even allowed to apply for membership.

Incentives are wonderful, but they should be open for anyone that can qualify, and not limited only to those lucky enough to have been in ham radio before the Class A was discontinued.

—E. C. Ryan, W8LRR



# Hints and Kinks

For the Experimenter



## TRANSMITTER KEYING WITH THE SURPLUS TG-34-A KEYS

THE type TG-34-A keyer is an automatic unit for providing code practice signals from an inked recording. The output of the keyer is an audio frequency note with sufficient power to supply a number of headsets. However, if the machine is to be used for keying a transmitter during code practice transmissions, testing, etc., it is necessary to convert the audio output signals into mechanical energy that will control a keying relay. Fig. 1 is a circuit perfected by ex-WN8-WBO that will make the necessary conversion.

Fig. 1 shows the tapped secondary winding of the keyer output transformer ( $T_1$ ) coupled through a crystal diode to the base of a type 2N36 transistor. The transistor operates in a grounded-emitter circuit with the keying relay,  $K_1$ , serving as the output load.

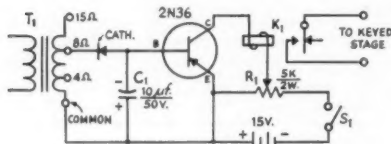


Fig. 1—Schematic diagram of the TG-34-A keying accessory used at W8DAP.

$CR_1$ —Type 1N34A crystal diode.

$K_1$ —D.p.s.t. sensitive relay (Advance AM/2C; formerly type K1504RF).

$T_1$ —TG-34-A output transformer.

In operation,  $CR_1$  conducts during negative half cycles of audio voltage, thus providing a negative base bias for the transistor. Although  $CR_1$  rejects the positive audio voltage, it does charge  $C_1$  while conducting.  $C_1$ , because of its high value of capacitance, holds the transistor base bias during positive-pulse periods of non-conduction with the result that a steady current flows in the base-emitter circuit whenever an audio signal of proper amplitude is applied to the diode. This, in turn, causes the collector current to follow the keyed input signal and properly energize the keying relay.

By using the 8-ohm speaker output taps and approximately one quarter "pot" of the bias and volume controls on the keyer, and with 10 to 12 volts applied to the transistor, perfect operation is obtained. The voltage divider,  $R_1$ , across the battery is used to find the proper transistor operating voltage and its setting depends on the amplitude of the controlled signal output of the keyer. Almost any type of battery may be used

as the current drain is very small. A pair of Burgess type 4F5H  $7\frac{1}{2}$ -volt batteries is used with the original circuit.

The relay listed is the only one of several tried that will follow the tape and still key the transmitter regardless of speed. This relay has two springs; one is a hinge type which connects the armature to the body, and the other is a "coil type" spring. Removal of the coil spring and adjustment of the hinge type until the relay pulls in at 3 ma. is necessary. Although  $K_1$  is a d.p.s.t. affair, only one set of contacts is shown in Fig. 1.

With the exception of the batteries, all parts are mounted on a  $1 \times 3$ -inch "L" bracket attached to the keyer directly above the audio output terminals.

—Lee Dilno, WSDAP

## "STACKING" CRYSTALS FOR CONVENIENT SELECTION

FEW mobile operators have a convenient storage system which permits rapid selection of crystals for the most frequently used frequencies. One method that has worked out exceptionally well in the WITNS mobile installation is shown in section A of Fig. 2.

Crystals cut for local nets and other popular frequencies are arranged in stacks and then bound together with Scotch tape. Frequencies may be printed on paper tabs attached to the ends of the holders where they are readily visible, and the stacks may accommodate two or more crystals.

The crystal socket must ordinarily be mounted on the outside of the panel when this system is used. Make sure that the socket is at least  $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch

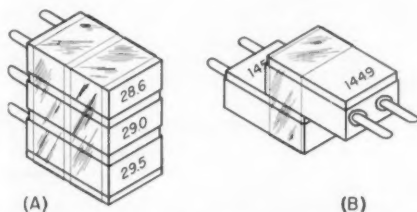


Fig. 2—Two methods of "stacking" crystals for rapid selection and ease of identification. (A) Method used by WITNS. (B) System suggested by W3ZRQ.

deep so that prongs of crystals out of the socket will not press against the panel and prevent the active crystal from seating firmly in place.

—Chuck Newton, WITNS

Section B of Fig. 2 shows the crystal stacking



method used here at W3ZRQ. Scotch tape is used for clamping the holders together and for binding the frequency-identification tabs in place. The crystal socket may be mounted on the rear of the panel because clearance for the prongs of crystals not in use need not be provided.

If you care to, the stack may be made four high by adding a crystal to both the top and the bottom of the pile. Orientate the holders in the form of a cross so that the sets of pins are 90 degrees apart. A good grade of plastic cement may be used for bonding the holders together.

— Allen R. Breiner, W3ZRQ

#### NOTE ON SURPLUS TYPE BC-348 RECEIVERS

THE dial calibration on BC-348 receivers can be greatly improved by adjusting the inductance of the oscillator coils. To provide this adjustment (except in J, N, & Q series) proceed as follows:

- 1) Make certain that the i.f. is correctly aligned at 915 kc.
- 2) Note whether the dial spread is greater or less than the actual frequency band covered.
- 3) If the dial spread is greater, the inductance is too small.
- 4) If the dial spread is less, the inductance is too large.
- 5) Remove the top and bottom covers from the oscillator compartment and drill and tap a 6-32 hole over the center of each coil which requires correction. The covers are thin and best results will be obtained if the holes are punched through with a tapering punch to give more material for threading.
- 6) In the holes over low inductance coils, insert a small powdered iron slug with 6-32 screw attached.
- 7) In the holes for the high inductance coils, insert a 1-inch 6-32 brass screw, with the head inside the coil.
- 8) By alternately adjusting the trimmer capacitor (near the high end of the dial) and the slug (near the low end of the dial) bring the receiver as nearly as possible into calibration. Lock the slug adjustments with a 6-32 nut and cut off any excess screw length to prevent catching on case.

If care is used, the calibration over most of the dial should be off not more than the thickness of one of the heavy calibration marks on the dial.

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SINGLE-SIDE-BAND reception with the BC-348 type receiver can be improved by adding a small variable capacitor to permit fine adjustment of the h.f.o. frequency.

A double-spaced unit having a maximum capacitance of approximately 2  $\mu$ f. is recommended for the job. If a made-to-order APC type is not available, a larger size can be modified by removing plates.

The capacitor may be centered above the "Volume" and "Beat Freq." controls by using a suitable bracket to avoid wires in the vicinity. The rotor should be grounded and the stator

connected to Pin 5 of the 6F7 (VT-70).

Another installation places the vernier capacitor on the panel directly above the "C.W. Osc." switch. The rotor of the new vernier capacitor should be grounded, and the stator terminal connected to terminal "C" at the top of the c.w. oscillator inductor. Terminal "C" is already wired to Pin 5 of the 6F7 tube (VT-70).

— George S. Carson, W0JV

#### STORAGE RACK FOR QSTs

MANY AMATEURS sooner or later come to grips with the problem of properly storing QST. The obvious solution is the League binder, but for many of us the binder funds have a way of



A partial view of the QST storage rack. The top shelf is just right for holding a copy of *The Radio Amateur's Handbook*.

winding up at the parts house for that always-needed component. Stacking the magazines on a horizontal shelf in library style will work, but necessitates repacking after a few issues are pulled for reference. This method also has the further disadvantage of bending and curling individual issues.

Vertical stacking is attractive from the standpoint of required floor space but is almost unusable unless the issues are spaced by suitable shelves, preferably at yearly intervals. The rack shown here accomplishes these needs and requires only 11 by 8 inches of floor area and 48 inches in height. It can be built in an evening at a cost of three dollars or so and will accommodate ten years of QST with room to spare. If the issues are filed as received, the December index issue will always be the top number of each shelf.

In our case the shelves were cut 9 $\frac{5}{8}$  inches long from standard 6-inch shelving. The uprights are 1  $\times$  2-inch stock, 48 inches in length. We used two finishing nails through each upright into the shelf plus small iron angle brackets on the bottom side of the top and bottom shelves. The construction is apparent from the photograph and hams with woodworking ability can no doubt improve the design. A coat of stain matches the finish of the operating desk. From the standpoint of utility the rack leaves little to be desired.

— Otto Woolley, W0SGG



CONDUCTED BY EDWARD P. TILTON,\* W1HDQ

**B**EYOND-THE-HORIZON work on 5 meters as early as 1926 — the discovery of tropospheric bending in 1934 — sporadic-E DX in 1935 — auroral propagation in 1937 — world-wide DX on 50 Mc. in 1946 — tropospheric propagation on 144 Mc. at distances beyond 1000 miles in 1950 — aurora work on 220 Mc. in 1954 — these are some of the high spots in v.h.f. history that can be seen in retrospect by leafing through a QST file. They and other v.h.f. firsts came about, in many instances, because hams were willing to try things that more learned people would have said were impossible.

Practically every known form of long-distance v.h.f. propagation was first discovered in this way, often by accident. The important factor was a willingness on the part of hams to *try anything!* The formula still works, and no better example has ever turned up than the feat that we reported in brief last-minute fashion last month: two-way communication on 144 Mc. across more than 2500 miles of Pacific Ocean. Nobody in his right mind would have given it a chance!

John Chambers, W6NLZ, and Ralph Thomas, KH6UK, first worked on 14-Mc. c.w. on October 20, 1956. From that day on they made regular tests on 144 Mc. From early November to July 8, these averaged better than six per week — all without the slightest indication of signal either way on the higher frequency. For several months the tests had been the same: a short QSO on 14.095 and then a 5-minute test on 144.000 Mc. by KH6UK. Results were always the same — nil.

But the true ham never gives up. The tests started after the best of the fall inversions had passed, and the period did not include the king of all the meteor showers, the August Perseids. The summer inversion season and the Perseids shower held out two admittedly forlorn hopes.

The evening of July 8, the inversion layer was clearly visible over the curving coastline from W6NLZ's escarpment location, 910 feet above sea level at Palos Verdes Estates, at the southern end of Santa Monica Bay. It was a long way to Hawaii, to be sure, but at least the West Coast end looked good. Weather information indicated that a highly stable inversion had been building up for several days. At Kahuku, on the northern tip of the Island of Oahu, the afternoon of July 8 was like any other summer day in Hawaii. Nothing showed that tonight would be any different from the more than 200 others when the 144-Mc. tests had been made. Tommy had given up listening on 2 long ago. The transmitters of RCA Communications filled the band with birdies, and

he had seldom heard any 2-meter signals, anyway. But the transmitting tests still were made, and the W2AZL converter and SX-88 were ready to go, if anything happened.

The 2130 PDT sked was like all the rest: the exchange on 14.095, and the transmission on 144.000. But this time, as soon as W6NLZ got his 75A3 on frequency with the 417A converter — there was KH6UK! "Can it be? Is somebody pulling my leg? Am I getting i.f. feed-through? Am I dreaming?" All these and other thoughts raced through John's mind — and then came a wait that seemed an eternity, while the automatic transmission from KH6UK droned on. *Would the guy never stand by?*

No hurry about turning the thing off, Tommy thought, and the test ran on for some seven minutes before he heard W6NLZ calling him frantically on 14.095. Then came the quick change, the breathless moments, the fumbling sending, as two old c.w. hands who ragehew easily at 40 w.p.m. fell all over themselves in a rush of buck fever that is familiar to any ham who has tottered on the brink of a really big break. But the two-way worked — and good!

Signal reports were exchanged, and a few fumbling attempts at felicitation, and then on to see what else could be done while the rare opportunity still held. Tape recordings made at KH6UK tell the story. A period of birdies from the RCA transmitters, and then after some delay, a rather halting c.w. sig calling. A slow (this time) "QRZ de KH6UK" is followed by a call from W6NTC. Would this be someone a few miles east of W6NLZ, ready to claim the record, now that John had done the heavy spadework? Tommy replied with mixed feelings — and then learned that W6NTC is Mrs. W6NLZ, who was called in to run the rig while John placed a telephone call to W1HDQ.

The W6NTC-KH6UK QSO was still going on as John passed along the hot news over the landline at 0150 EDT, to your very sleepy conductor. But it was the last QSO over the 2540-mile circuit. Though John called several of the local 2-meter fraternity, none could be found at home with the necessary combination of gear, antenna and location to grab the plum that was waiting to be picked. KH6UK stayed on, calling CQ for three hours, but nothing more was heard but the RCAC birdies, and no other reports have been received of reception of Tommy's signal on the West Coast.

How did it come about? The evidence points toward tropospheric propagation. Tape recordings from both participants show the signal to be

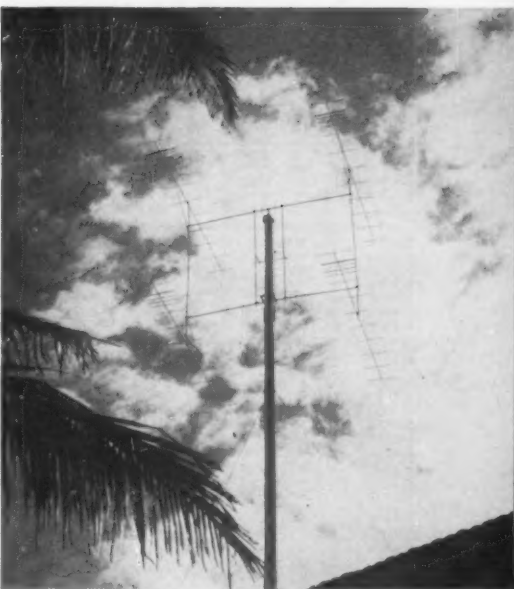
\*V.H.F. Editor, QST.



The 2540-mile 2-meter QSO across the Pacific did not "just happen." There were superb stations, big antennas and capable operators at both ends. Above, left, John and Maureen Chambers, W6NIZ and W6NTC, smile happily over their DX record. Transmitter (in front of John) is modified KWS-1, that runs 1 k.w. on s.s.b. and c.w. on 144 Mc. and lower bands. Receiver just visible between the operators is a 75A3, used with a crystal-controlled 417A converter on 144 Mc. Communicator serves for local work on voice. The Chambers station comes as close to being "all-band" as any you're likely to see, there being facilities ready for all low-frequency bands, plus 50, 144, 220, 432, 1215 and higher microwave assignments. Location, Palos Verdes Estates, is 910 feet above sea level, overlooking the Pacific.



Above, right, Ralph E. Thomas, KH6UK, cuts a tape for use in his automatic keyer. At the far left of the picture is seen the 1-k.w. rig with a pair of 4-125A's in the final, that has served both W2UK and KH6UK on 144 Mc. Receiver, center, is an SX-88, with a W2AZL 417-A converter for 144 Mc. Note prized QSLs from W6NLZ and W6NTC in the speaker grille. The array that turned the trick at KH6UK is made up of four Gonset "Big Berthas" spaced two wavelengths each way, mounted on an 80-foot pole. Location, Kahuku, on the northern tip of the Island of Oahu.



essentially steady, with only the slow, typical tropospheric fade. There are no bursts; no wild excursions in signal strength that would almost certainly characterize meteoric or ionospheric reflections. The locations at each end are close to ideal, and the equipment the best obtainable. KH6UK uses the old W2UK rig with 1 kw. to a pair of 4-125As. The antenna is 4 long Yagis in box formation, with 2-wavelength spacing each way, 80 feet above ground. W6NLZ runs 1 kw. to a modified KWS-1, feeding a 24-foot Yagi 35 feet above a location where height above ground is of substantially no importance. His view out over the Pacific and northward along the curve of Santa Monica Bay is incomparable.

But other hams have good locations and fine equipment, and not a few are good operators. W6NLZ and KH6UK have earned undying fame

in the annals of amateur radio because they had all the technical wherewithal — *plus* a willingness to try something that gave every indication of being a lost cause before they started, and to keep on trying it, again and again, in the face of almost certain failure! The job is just started, however. The feat of July 8 showed that it can be done. It remains, now, to show how it came about, and to determine how often it might happen again. Does working across the Pacific mean that a QSO across the Atlantic is within the realm of possibility? Can equal distances be worked over land areas? We won't know until we try!

#### **June 30 Aurora and July Inversions Best in Years**

Right in the middle of the 6-meter DX season the 2-meter band stole the DX show. One of the most widespread auroras on record, June 30, netted contacts on both 6 and 2

over practically the entire country east of the Mississippi. No end of instances showed farther south penetration than any previous aurora. Then from July 2 to 9, and again July 15 to 17, there were tropospheric conditions over the Middle West and South that broke all records in that department as well. Space limitations prevent detailed reporting, but here are a few high lights:

Perhaps the first aurora contact ever made from the state of Florida was W4RMU's 50-Mc. QSO with W4UVP, Johnson City, Tenn., at 1750 EST, June 30. This was followed by one with W4NWB, Traveller's Rest, S. C., at 1905. The aurora was in from 1730 to 1930 at W4RMU, but it took Allen some time to realize what was happening. Who is there who hasn't investigated his receiver power supply filter, or checked the operation of his b.f.o. when first he heard aurora signals?

W8KAY, Akron, reports 19 states heard on 144 Mc. W4LNG, Atlanta, Ga., worked W9KLR and W4HJQ. W4GIS, East Point, Ga., heard W8GZW, W4HJQ, W9KLR, W8SFG and many others. W9AAG, Woodhull, Ill., worked



1	W6ZJB	7	W6OB	13	W6DZM	19	W3OJU
2	W6BYV	8	W6INI	14	W6HVV	20	W6TMI
3	W6CJS	9	W1HDQ	15	W6WKB	21	K6EDX
4	W5AJG	10	W5MDJ	16	W6SMJ	22	W5SFW
5	W9ZHL	11	W2IDZ	17	W6OGW	23	W6ORE
6	W9OCA	12	WILLI	18	W7ERA	24	W9ALU
		25	W8CMS	26	W6MYG		

W1VNH	47	W4EQM	47	W6WNN	48	W9UIA	45
W1VCL	47	W4FBH	46	W6UXN	48	W9UXS	45
W1WGY	46	W4LNG	45	W6ANS	45	W9MHP	43
W1WLN	46	W4CPZ	45	W6NDP	45	W9JCI	42
W1WEP	46	W4UCH	45	K6GTC	44	W9MFI	42
W1WRF	44	W4IKK	44	W6GCG	43	W9EPT	41
W1W8U	44	W4QIN	44	K6HYX	43	K9EID	38
W1WOS	44	W4EQO	44	W6ABN	43		
W1WHL	42	W4AZC	43	W6NIT	42		
W1WEL	41	W4PLV	43	W6W8S	41	W9QIN	47
W1WSP	36	W4RFR	42	W6CAN	40	W9NFM	47
W1WHE	35	W4OXC	41	W6BWG	39	W9TKX	47
W1WLG	33	K4DUO	42	K6RQG	38	W9KYF	47
W1WVZ	32	W4MS	42	W6ERG	38	W9JOL	46
W1WTF	31	W4FNR	40	W6QJF	31	W9USQ	45
W1WAS	31	W4ZBQ	40			W9EYK	45
W1WFM	30	W4AYV	38			W9PPF	45
W1WFMK	31	W4TUJ	38	W7FFE	48	W9OFZ	44
		K4DNG	37	W7HEA	47	W9QVZ	44
		W4HHK	37	W7BQX	47	W9CNM	44
		W4AKX	36	W7FDJ	46	W9YJF	44
W2MEU	47	W4YRM	36	W7DYD	47	W9URQ	44
W2RGV	47	W4GJO	35	W7ACD	45	W9JHS	43
W2AMJ	46	W4ZD	35	W7JRG	44	W9PPI	43
W2BYM	46	W4HZG	34	W7BOC	42	W9WNU	42
W2FHJ	45	K4AGM	32	W7JPA	42	W9PKD	41
K2ITP	43			W7FIV	41	W9ZTW	41
K2ITQ	43			W7CAM	40	W9YZZ	38
W2SHV	43	W5VY	48	W7UF3	33	W9KLR	36
K2JNS	42	W6LFQ	47			W9VTK	36
K2AXQ	42	W6CNG	46			K9BPM	35
W3AYV	40	W5FSC	45	W8QJN	46		
K2HPN	39	W5ONS	45	W8SQJ	46		
W2ORA	39	W5JLY	45	W8NQD	45	VE3AET	46
W2QVH	38	W5ML	44	W8UC	45	VE3AIB	35
K2HRB	37	W5JME	42	W8RWF	45	VE1EF	35
K2LTV	35	W5VU	43	W8LPD	44	VE3BIX	33
		W5CSW	42	W8LJR	43	VE1QY	32
		W5PAL	41	W8WPD	43	VE2AOM	31
		W5HEZ	41	K8ACC	41	VE3DER	31
W3TIF	47	W5HXA	41	W8YLS	41	VE3BHQ	30
W3KKN	45	W5FXN	42	W8PCK	38	XE1E	27
W3KMY	44	W5EXZ	42	W8NOH	34	VE1PQ	23
W3SKM	41	W5EUQ	38			VE3OJ	22
W3MOU	41	K8ABW	38			VE1WL	21
W3RUE	41	W5HFF	38	W9BRN	48	CO6WW	21
W3MXW	41	W5NSJ	36	W8ZHB	48	VE4HS	20
W3OTC	40	W5FRK	36	W9QVU	48	CO2ZX	16
W3FPH	40	K5CYK	36	W9VZP	47	LU9MA	16
W3LFC	40	W5WZF	33	W9QGM	47	PZ1AE	15
W3AMO	36	K5AJW	33	W9QKM	47	KL7VT	9
W3TDF	36	W5ZVF	31	W9JPT	47	VE1AH	5
W3TQJ	32	W5LFM	26	W9AAG	46	VQ2PL	5

Calls in bold face are holders of special 50-Mc. WAS certificates listed in order of award numbers. Others are based on unverified reports.

W5DFU, Tulsa, Okla., for the latter's first aurora contact on 144 Mc. Stations as far west as W8RYG, Lincoln, Neb., were worked by W9AAG, W4ZXL, Greensboro, N. C., as heard all over the Middle West, and the scramble for North Carolina contacts was more than Russ could handle. His state had never been in most of the Middle West via aurora before.

The long tropospheric session on 144 Mc. began early in the evening of July 2, with W5RCI, Marks, Miss., running 87 at W8KAY by 2045 EST. Many stations were on all night, and those in the Cincinnati and Dayton areas worked Missouri, Kansas and Oklahoma stations on phone. W5DFU, Tulsa, started with W6UOP, Des Moines, Iowa, at 2245, followed by W6WRT, Omaha, Neb. (state No. 15), W9a REM WOK ZIH LF AAG, and several more Iowa and Missouri stations. At 0245 on the 3rd, Warren worked W8IFX for No. 16. There were pronounced meteor bursts on nearly all these signals, and a check with W5AJG, Dallas, showed that signals were strongest with Warren's beam northeast! Here's something to look into; has anyone found other instances like this? Tropospheric back-scatter?

At 0715 W5DFU heard a 3-minute meteor burst from W8PT, Benton Harbor, Mich., while Jack was sending to W4LTU on schedule. At 1916 on the 3rd the opening was going again. W5DFU heard a W2 on voice, and a CQ raised W4HJQ, Glendale, Ky., No. 17. This set off another 8-hour workout of such 2-meter DX as Warren never dreamed of. W4WCB, Memphis, Tenn., 18, and W3FPH, Leechburg, Pa., 19, were high spots. Working until 0330, W5DFU knocked off 3 stations in Kentucky, 2 in Indiana, 7 in Illinois, 11 in Ohio, 1 in Pennsylvania, and scores in nearer states.

W8KAY says that still another session started just before 2300 EST July 7, with stations in the Cincinnati area calling W5AJG. This went on all night again, with Art taking time out for sleep between 0400 to 0630. W5AJG and W5HOW, the latter at Ada, Okla., were worked between 0700 and 0900, when a thunderstorm finished it off at Akron, Texas calls heard included W5a BEB JQU and AQS. W5AJG was heard as far to the northeast as W8SFG, Hubbard, Ohio, near the Pennsylvania border.

W5RCI, Marks, Miss., lists 35 stations in 14 states as his bag for the July 3-5 opening. W8EP, Terra Alta, W. Va., was a new one, and this undoubtedly was the first QSO on 144 Mc. between these two states. As to a complete record of "firsts," we've long since lost track.

We don't have much information on the mid-July tropospheric opening, but there was another probable first made — a Minnesota-New York contact by W1FNS and W2OIR July 17. Meteor bursts were noted on this one, also.

At the start of the July 2 festivities, W5AJG could hear nothing but W5DFU working all the DX. Meteor bursts were heard from numerous stations, but no tropospheric DX of major proportions until the night of the 7th, as related by W8KAY above, and running far into the 8th. Leroy worked then steadily until 0300 CST, took off a couple of hours for sleep and was back at it again for several hours more beginning at 0600. The signals from W4, 5, 8, 9 and 0 were fantastic, far exceeding anything in W5AJG's long experience on 144 Mc. He finally called it quits around 1000, when his noise level was getting bad.

W5FSC, Houston, sent in the July 8 weather map from a local paper, showing a stationary cold front lying diagonally across the country from western Texas to the Great Lakes region. From there a warm front extended out over the Atlantic Seaboard. Even the limited data on the typical newspaper weather map shows this to be propagation along an extended and stable front, in the classic tradition; the sort of thing we usually look for in September.

W5DFU had hardly recovered from his exertions of the previous week, when he was into another DX marathon. The same territory was in again, and in addition, Warren worked W8PT, Benton Harbor, Mich., another interstate first on 144 Mc. He also worked down the Texas Gulf Coast for the first time, as far as W5KGO, Baytown. To show that DX is not all high power and big arrays, W5DFU worked W9PSJ, Muncie, Ind., 640 miles, with the latter using a Communicator and a TV antenna!

### International 50-Mc. DX Prospects

Special IGY authorizations for 50-Mc. work in Sweden, Poland, Portugal and the Azores and Madeira Islands have already been announced in these pages. Word from LA2AD says, "We have now obtained permission to work 50 to

54 Mc. during daytime, up to 1900 GMT, through July 1, 1958." It is not known at this writing whether the "we" means Norwegian amateurs generally, but LA7Y has been reported as ready to work on 6.

Word came to our PRP office recently from SP5HS, via SWL Pickering, that Russian authorities are encouraging crossband work between their amateurs on 38 Mc. and American hams on 50. Soviet stations with v.h.f. licenses have had number call signs in the past, but are reported to be getting Soviet Union type calls now, except that the prefix R will be used, in place of the usual U. Example: A Ukrainian v.h.f. station would sign RB5 instead of UB5.

At least one UB5 was heard last winter on 28 Mc. soliciting crossband contacts on 38 Mc. with American stations. Reports in the Russian journal *Radio* indicate that considerable DX is being worked within the Soviet Union in their 38-40-Mc. band.

European countries using the 70-Mc. band are finding it open for sporadic-E quite often, and international DX has been reported. G5KW, well known to 6-meter men as MD5KW, worked FA3JR in Oran, June 16, and F8GH on June 20. The first is the current 70-Mc. DX record, and the latter is the first work on the band with France. We feel sure that Ken will be looking for 50-70 opportunities across the Atlantic, though we have had no direct word from him as yet. E12W, near Dublin, is checking the 70-Mc. band daily, and listening on 50 Mc. if he finds evidence of sporadic-E, in the hope of catching a transatlantic opening. He will be on 28 and 70 Mc. (70.6 Mc.) through the fall, prepared for crossband work to 50 Mc. at any propitious moment.

Prospects for work with the Azores rose markedly with the shipment to CS3AC of a 6146 transmitter by K6RNQ and K6EDX. CS3AC is at the American Air Force base, and we understand that they now may operate only on 50 Mc. and higher — which should not do the v.h.f. cause any harm! Two frequencies in the first 200 kc. will be used.

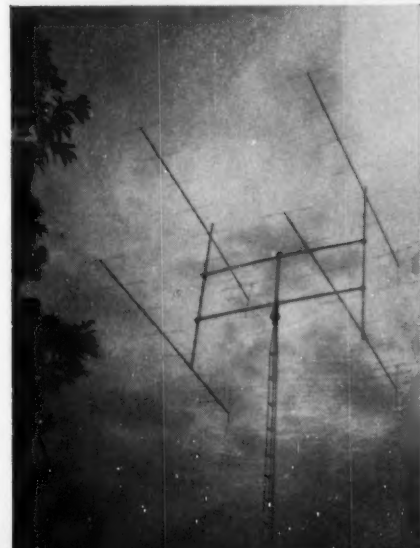
Also from K6RNQ, via KH6BRJ and K6TYW, comes a report that K6BAA, Guam, and KR6AF, Okinawa, are on 6, and that there are promises of activity on Midway and Kwajalein.

### 220 Grows Up

From many quarters come reports of regular 220-Mc. activity, showing that use of the band has long since passed the "How-about-a-220-check?" stage. W8WRN, Columbus, Ohio, writes that there is something doing nightly in Central Ohio around 2100, with W8 CSW NVI HOF HPT BPJ and WRN most active. W8NVI, visiting W8LJG, West Richfield, during the June 30th aurora, heard 220-Mc. signals from W3, 8, 9 and VE3 coming through in good shape.

VE3BQN, Toronto, has a 9903 final and a 5-over-5

Mr. Meteor-Scatter of 1957. Walt Bain, W4LTU, Orlando, Fla., has probably done more than any other ham in recent years to further the cause of meteor DX on 144 Mc. Antenna that has made possible contacts with 18 states, mostly via meteors, is a 12-element Yagis, with trigonal reflectors.



### RECORDS

#### Two-Way Work

- 50 Mc.: LU3EX — JA6FR  
12,000 Miles — March 21, 1956
- 144 Mc.: W6NLZ — KH6UK  
2540 Miles — July 8, 1957
- 220 Mc.: W8BFQ — W5RCI  
700 Miles — October 9, 1954
- 420 Mc.: G3HAZ — DL3YBA  
500 Miles — June 19, 1957
- 1215 Mc.: W6HHK/6 — W6VIX/6  
190 Miles — June 9, 1956
- 2300 Mc.: W6IFE/6 — W6ET/6  
150 Miles — October 5, 1947
- 3300 Mc.: W6IFE/6 — W6VIX/6  
190 Miles — June 9, 1956
- 5250 Mc.: W2LGF/2 — W7QFQ/2  
31 Miles — December 2, 1945
- 10,000 Mc.: W7JIP/7 — W7OKV/7  
109 Miles — August 8, 1954
- 21,000 Mc.: W1NVL/2 — W9SAD/2  
800 Feet — May 18, 1946

array on 220. Ted keeps skeds with W3ARW, near Scranton, Pa., Wednesdays at 2015, 2245 and 0030, and Saturdays at 2015, 2215 and 0030. He and VE3AIB look for W8LJG nightly at 2315. VE3BQN would welcome Detroit area or W1 skeds on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Frequencies: VE3BQN 220.056, just above W8LJG; VE3AIB 220.103. W3LZD, Dunmore, Pa., worked W8DX, W8LPD, VE3BQN, W1RFU and K2DZM on 220 Mc. during the aurora of June 30. He and W3LCK are working on plans for aurora tests on 432 Mc. as well.

W1RFU reports that W3LZD was S9 on 220 Mc. June 30. Bill also heard W8DX, Detroit, via aurora, at 1533 EST. At 540 miles, this is the best 220-Mc. aurora DX yet reported, that we can recall.

W2AOC, Brooklyn, N. Y., long a 2-meter stalwart, now finds extensive activity regularly on 220. Signals from W1s are frequently stronger on 220 than 144, Marv says. He looks for business nightly at 2000 EST, first in the direction of W1, then elsewhere. A "cliff-dweller," he finds a.L.m. a great aid in keeping the neighborhood peace.

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# YL News and Views

BY ELEANOR WILSON,\* W1QON

## FORSAKEN HOMO SAPIEN

or

### *How to be Alone When There Are Two in the House*

BY MISTER X



THE IDENTITY of the author of the following treatise will be immediately recognized by rather a large group of people, for the discerning Mister X is a regular contributor to a certain West Coast radio company monthly.

"In the living room a soprano was giving out with both lungs over the hi-fi system; in the kitchen the kettle was bubbling over and from the edge of the stove door issued a thin plume of acrid smoke. Down the block and rapidly nearing was the eerie wail of a police siren. But in the den all was happy and serene.

Pushing open the door, the OM was greeted

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with a too familiar sight. There was no "welcome" on her face; no gladsome greeting; just a frown of concentration or irritation and a vigorous hand signal demanding QUIET!

"Yes . . . yes . . . Roger . . . it was a VK . . . running a 12 ounce Budweiser can to a pair of quart milk bottles . . . and a ten over twenty revolving beam . . ."

Quietly, the OM closed the door and tip-toed back to the kitchen to see what he could salvage, muttering: "Five'll get you ten there'll be no dinner tonight." And he envied those cops in the patrol car, eventually rolling home to a luscious hot repast.

Call it, if you wish, my friends, the electronic atomic, nuclear phase of the Battle of the Sexes. The little lady whom you once thought you couldn't live without is now firmly demonstrating to you that you CAN and that you'd better like it.

Somewhere in the dim past some misguided male initiated the first YL into the ham racket, starting a chain reaction beside which the legendary Pandora's curiosity was child's play. The rapid spread of the YL Menace threatens the very foundations of civilization. We have learned to adjust ourselves to the forces of nature, to combat and in some cases even to nullify their effects. But would you dare to combat the YL? Not all your piety nor wit could nullify:

" . . . FB, OM. Ah read you just 100 percent . . . it's a Gollyfolly pushing 800 watts into a 4-

K5ALF, Mae Brewer of Houston, Texas, was one of several W5 YLs who put in days of handling emergency traffic following hurricane Audrey which devastated towns in southern Louisiana in June. Before the storm hit, Mae had alerted stations in the area and along with OM W5SDA formed an emergency net on 40 meters which operated continuously for several days. Some other YLs heard helping out day and night were K5s BNH, BWM, CRH, GMI; W5s EGD, EYE, HWX, KEC, SYL, ZJT, ZLU, and ZPD. All involved shrugged off praise heaped upon them with the feeling that they were just glad they were able to be of service when it was needed most.





To add to the story the sign in the picture tells, seven "WHOs" took turns operating two transmitters, one a.m. and one s.s.b., under the call W5PFU/5 at Oakland Park in Ft. Worth, Texas. K5s BJU, CRH, EGB and W5s ETH, GXG, IHB and PFU enjoyed 21 hours of "good contacts, good food, and an all-around good time". Six novice YLs kept logs while several OMs stood by for duty as messengers and technicians. That's K5CRH toting 54 lbs. of Viking Ranger with seeming ease; K5BJU carries the conelrad gear.

element beam . . . Mmmmmmm yes . . . mah QTH is in most any *Call Book* . . ."

You learn to sew on your own buttons because you can never find a safety-pin, she having used them to couple the anode to the diode, or the exciter to something equally irrelevant in terms of kitchen mechanics. But, cheer up, Old Boy. The time will come when she masters the manipulation of pliers and soldering iron. And if she hasn't yet borrowed your Sunday pants to climb the beam and make an adjustment, it'll come, brother. It'll come. Would she wear her own new slacks? Never!

Ask her to get up at four in the morning to accompany you on a fishing expedition and she gives you but a glance of withering scorn as she burrows her pretty head into the pillow. But she'll hop blithely out, bright-eyed and loquacious, to work a "Zed-S" at two a.m. and love it.

And so, dear friends, one who has unwittingly contributed in small measure to the rise and spread of the YL Menace, in a belated effort to atone for his sin, gives you this advice: Love 'em, tell 'em nothing; and leave them alone until they come to you sweetly with that honeymoon look in their eyes and murmur gently, "Jim, darlin', that lil ole rotary beam's stuck again, and ah simply can't fix it." Then is the time for you to put on those Sunday pants and keep 'em on.

### YL Certificates

Interest, both male and female, is keener than ever in the three major YL certificates issued by the Young Ladies Radio League. Here are

the complete rules for each certificate. Count your cards — you may be eligible for an award right now.

#### YL Century Certificate (YLCC)

The YL Century Certificate for confirmed contacts with stations operated by 100 or more different licensed women amateur radio operators is issued by the YLRL to all amateurs, YL or OM, at no cost to the applicant upon compliance with the following rules:

- 1) Two-way communication must be established on the authorized amateur bands with stations — mobile or fixed — operated by 100 different licensed women amateurs. Any and all amateur bands may be used. (Note that one YL operator worked under different calls count but once.)
- 2) All contacts must be made from the same location. Within a given community, one location may be defined as from places no two of which are more than 25 miles apart.
- 3) Contacts may be made over any period of years, provided only that all contacts are from the same location as defined in Rule 2.
- 4) Contacts with YLs anywhere in the world are recognized provided that confirmations clearly indicate that the stations contacted were operated by duly licensed women amateur radio operators.



One of the newest YL clubs, the Camellia Capital Chirps of Sacramento, launched right into its first Field Day this year with members K6s ENK, HHD, HOI, PWH; KN6ZVX, and W6HTS putting in 22 hours of continuous operating. Competing with four other clubs in the area, the girls stuck it out for 115 contacts on 80 and 41 on 40 meters, even tho' the mercury reached a torrid 108°. The photo shows KN6ZVX logging for K6HOI. Site of operations was a hill-top overlooking Folsom Lake, twenty miles from Sacramento. (Photo courtesy The Sacramento BEE)

September 1957

A girl just never knows what a QSO will bring. For Eda Williams, W7EPZ, a contact with OM W8CMS one fine June day brought a gift guaranteed to make a YL feel like a Queen for a Day—one dozen red roses. W8CMS wired his floral thank-you after Eda supplied him with his 48th state (Montana) on 50 Mc, thus making Claire the first W8 to WAS on six meters. As we've said before, it pays to get on the air now and then. (Photo via W1HDQ)



5) One hundred QSL cards or other written communications from the stations worked confirming the necessary two-way contacts, accompanied by a list of claimed contacts which should include the full names of the operators alphabetically arranged and the dates and times of contacts, must be submitted by the applicant directly to the YLCC custodian. Sufficient postage must be sent with the confirmations to finance their return by first class mail. The



W6NZP and Friend? Or, we always knew our YLs were plucky souls, but isn't this the limit? Not so, says Evelyn Scott's OM, who treaded close enough to take the picture. "His lordship the snake never had a chance." That slimy, writhing creature is really only a six foot carpet snake which Evelyn and Harold met during their wanderings through the Australian "outback". Between their world travels the Scotts conduct a radio business at Long Beach, California, and work their many DX friends on twenty phone. Evelyn is currently serving as chairman of women's activities for the ARRL Southwestern Division Convention. Right after attending the coming National Convention in Chicago, the Scotts fly to American Samoa, where they plan to set up an amateur station at Tutuila.

YLRL will not be responsible for any loss or damage to same.

6) Endorsements: Confirmations of contracts, accompanied by alphabetical list, as per Rule 5, from stations operated by additional YLs may be submitted for credit each time 50 additional confirmations are available. Endorsements, gold and silver stickers, will be made to the original certificate as applications are approved.

7) Decisions of the YLCC custodian regarding interpretation of these rules as here stated or later amended shall be final. All inquiries regarding cards, applications, or certificates should be addressed to her.

8) The YLCC custodian currently serving the YLRL is Katherine Johnson, W4SGD, Box 666, Fuquay Springs, North Carolina.

#### **YL Worked All States Award (YL/WAS)**

The YL Worked All States award is available to all amateurs, YL or OM.

1) Two-way communications must be established on the amateur bands with a YL in each of the 48 states. Any and all amateur bands may be used. A card from the District of Columbia may be submitted in lieu of one from Maryland.

2) Contacts with all 48 states must be made from the same location. Within a given community one location may be defined as from places no two of which are more than 25 miles apart.

3) Contacts may be made over any period of years provided only that all contacts are from the same location as defined in Rule 2.

4) Forty-eight QSL cards, or other written communications from stations worked confirming the necessary two-way contacts, must be submitted by the applicant to the custodian for the YL/WAS award. Sufficient postage must be sent with the confirmations to finance their return. The YLRL will not be responsible for any loss or damage to same.

5) The custodian for the YL/WAS award is Grace Ryden, W9GME, 2054 North Lincoln Avenue, Chicago 14, Illinois.

#### **YL Worked All Continents Award (YL/WAC)**

The Young Ladies Radio League issues a YL Worked All Continents certificate to any licensed amateur, YL or OM, who meets the following requirements:

1) Two-way communications must be established on the amateur bands with the six continents: North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Asia, and Oceania. Any and all authorized amateur radio bands may be used. Cross band contacts are permitted; contacts may have been made over any period of years.

2) Contacts with all six continents must be made with duly licensed women operators.

3) Contacts must be made from the same location. Within

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# How's DX?



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## How:

As indicated at the conclusion of this month's column in lines regularly devoted to long-haul happenings of yore, DX news of more than passing significance was transpiring a decade ago. The year 1947 saw an unprecedented boom in serious large-scale organizing of amateur groups and clubs primarily on the basis of DX interest. And the onset of this trend was truly a departure from tradition. In prewar DX pursuits DXers characteristically hunted the stuff in low-pressure lone-wolf fashion, hoarding rather than pooling secrets and tricks of the trade.

Statistically it can hardly be disputed that the California coast long has been the operational capital of our DX world. That prefix *W6* somehow just reeks of DX implication! [And they're so doggoned loud, Boss. — *Jeeves*] Hence it's fitting that a bunch of Sixes founded the Northern California DX Club late in '46 as the vanguard of this movement. Southern Californians quickly followed suit, and now there are prominent constituencies operating under West Gulf DX Club, Willamette Valley (Wash.) DX Club, and other long-distance labels here and abroad.

Oh, yes — another budding DX outfit enrolled its first postwar member in 1947. In fact, its first prewar member signed up *twenty* years ago. Right — your ARRL DX Century Club, now going stronger than ever!

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We receive an occasional letter from OM Reader urging that more "How's" space be made available for the reporting of single-side-band DX doings. At such times he appears unaware that Jeeves & Co. welcome postal contributions of DX data bearing on *any* legitimate mode of emission, especially one so promising as carrierless phone. Space certainly is available. And we attempt no arbitrary rationings based on types of emission, a policy obviously indispensable if we purpose to represent and document our diverse DX world's bustling activities in these pages month by month in true color and perspective. So the extent of "How's" lineage dealing with s.s.b. DX activities holds in direct proportion to the amount of unsolicited sideband gist received. And that's up to Mr. Reader.

So far as side band itself goes, 'tis a big lad. Its ham history dates from 1933 and its practical postwar application began ten years ago. It can earn promotional publicity on its own merit now that technical bugaboos of complexity and expense have been wonderfully tamed and the benefits of this emission are within reach of almost

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every amateur. Apparently what we need at this time is a little *operational* pioneering.<sup>1</sup>

For a technique whose applications, it is said, could supersede less efficient contemporary modes of phone transmission there were too few winning scores posted by side banders in the 1956 ARRL Sweepstakes (check p. 51, June '57 *QST*); there were far too few s.s.b. users observed seriously competing in this year's ARRL DX Test; and, as friend Reader points out, there are far too few side-band DX reports being filed with this office. Why?

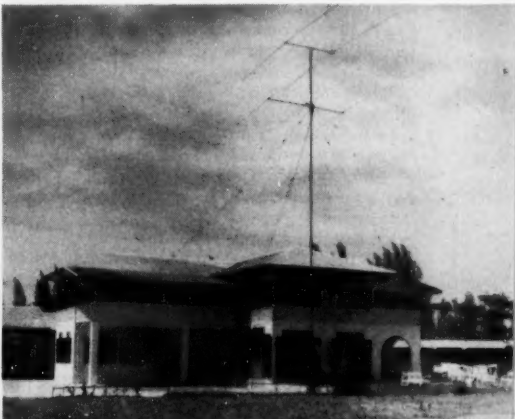
A missionary task is all cut out for suppressed-carrier advocates and they now have plenty of effective tools for the job. Cozy band-edge round tables are well and good, and letter writing has its merits; but most hams are from Missouri and like to be impressed by competitive results. How about it? Demonstrate that nine-db. superiority over "ancient modulation" — *compete!* "How's" stands ready to record your results.

## What:

Hey, that magical month is here! Summer's drowsy DX tempo now turns to an agile allegro; then the all-band transoceanic ionospheric chorus really swings on out in a cool, crazy crescendo, entirely *a capriccio*. You and your sender all set to face the mad music of this year's DX September song? July and August trumpeted the following tawny intro. . . .

<sup>1</sup> S.s.b. DXpeditions to rare areas serve to demonstrate the medium but this approach is promotionally feeble. Shucks, accumulating a fast logful of QSOs from Nepal with a loop-modulated Type '10 breadboard rig would prove only that hams love to work Nepal.







Maarten, W3GRO: OK1KSR (110), SP6KBE (110), UA3KAH (103), all 18-19, K2PHC: ET2RH, IS1MM, VQ3TL, ZESJL, W1BDI: heard VP5BL (44) 0, ZB1DC (78) 23, W1YNP: JA1CO, SV0WR, UN1AB, UQ2AS, VP3HAG, UB5 VP5 ZC5, KP4KD: EA0AC, OH2AA/0, PZ1AH, UC2CB, UF6AC, VP7NM, VQ6LQ, 5A2CO, UO5 for 222/213.

**15** phone hit its annual depths but came through with enough DX desiderata to delight the faithful. First, W9NLJ: CT1CF, H18BE, 5A1TG, W8IBX: VP7BO, K8ANX: HH5DS, W7PEG: VS1HC, W6ZEN: CR5SP, W6ZZ: BV1US, HR1EZ, KV4BU (XYL of KV4BD), VKs 2AGX 3APM 3ZJ, VR6TC (244), ZK1BS, ZLs 1AE 1BE 1DE 2AIL 2AJQ 2MA 4HE 4KE 4KL for 133 countries on 15 meters; potawatwies were KB6B (377), H17LMQ (222), VS9AI (159), K6OPT: CE2HY, CT1VF, EL2F, HP1RB, KA2KS, KR6e BN MD, OQ5BG, VK6RU, VP5 IHA 6LT, VR2s AZ BC, VSs 1FE 1GX 1HC 2DB 2DY 6CO, XE1s AX MO, ZK1AU, ZP5KK, "Get a nice Asian opening on 15 two or three times a week which helps some!" W4TFB: DU0IV, MP4BCC, K4DRQ: KG1HL, K1W6CA, T18MU, K4JLG: VP5WS, ZL1CH, 5A2TZ, H1H, K4HQD: CN2AK (240) 2, CR6BT (165) 22, CT1GE, H1P1B (350) 2, KV4BD (390) 4, OA5C (200) 3, VP7NB (210) 22, 4X4JT (215) 21, HR KW6, K4LEX: KV4BI (350) 2, T12s DLM IO, W5CQB/VE8 (300) 21, PJ2AX (350) 4, VP7s BI NV (260) 0, W3DDV: KA8RA, KX6AF, VK9HO, 954CM, KW6, heard one XU2CB of "Peiping" although XU2 now is Cambodian property, W1YNP: VK9 5A, KLTDF: JZ0PB, VSs 4JT 6DV, ONAKT: YN1s FV MI, Ron Moss omitted his call but recounts contacts with HH3VC, H17HL, KG1s CG KK, TF2WOK, YV5FH and other desirables.

**15** Novice activity, or lack thereof, should be bolstered by a rising m.u.f. henceforth. Hot-season luck here and there, first, K9AIK: KH6AHQ, KZ5BE, KX5JCC: HR1VS, KH6UD, PA1FLX HP, P18DU, ZL1APZ, now should be K5JCC, K5HQE: JA6CX, VK3VJ, VP7NO, WP4AU, has an Adventurer, S-40B and Reyco skywire, K5HYB: CM8EM, PA0GF, PY3AOF, T12LA, WL7BYA, WPA4IT, GA KH6, K4LEI: DU7SV, KV4BB, KX6BQ, OA4AU, VP5 SCP 6LT, W9KLD/KL7, WH6CCL, XE1AX, ZS8KA, awaits his General passport to 20 meters, K4JWB: EA7TA, GM2FG, K5RRA, VP5CM, WPA4JS, YU3KS 4XJ8, this with AT-1, NC-88 and 7-Mc, doublet on one (21-140 kc.) crystal, W3LAX: KP4KD, OK1KQ, PA8NV, CM G, K5ZUPD: EI9J, GC2CNC, KH6SF, OKs 1MB 1KSR 1KT1 3DG 3EA, DX-periplex P1XIF, PY1RW, UP6AC, VK3AXX, WPA4JZ, YQ1AU, has F8BZ and VP6CC stacked out, KX1ACJ: EA1DD, ON4AC, YU3SG, WPA4AH, DJ/DL on DX-35 and AR-3 combo. . . . . The sharp Novice who gets his ticket about now and who really applies his talents to 21-Mc. DX for the next year or less stands a dandy chance to snag the first Novice DXCC on record. Fifteen-meter conditions may not be so good for years and years and years and years. Who'll make the odds?

**10** phone altered through the torrid months without blacking out completely and that's something. We find, at W8IBX: CX8CD, YV5EW, K8ANX: HP3DA, W6ZZ: KH6RS, ZLs 1AKW 1APM 3AY, K6OPT: the 12-watter of VK9BS, W4EJP: heard T12BX (600), YV5ABD (500), W4TFB: CT3AI, ZD1EO, ZD4CD/M (W1WWA/MM), W3ZKH: cracked the doldrums for CRs 6DA 9AH, EA0AC, F07AF, JASAB, OX3LD, ST2DB, UB5KAB, VP5 4TS 5BH, VQs 3ES 5GC, VR2BC, YQ3VA, YU1FC, that ZM1BL, ZD1, made it 127 worked on 28-Mc. voice, watches for ten DXCC-clinching QSLs, hunts his stuff with a Viking II, NC-300 and 2-el. rotary, HK7LX: gives the equatorial angle with EA8BV, OQ5AZ, YQ2NS, numerous ZSs. . . . . Ten c.w. is kept alive by K2PHC: GD5FXN, W3ZAK: ZM1BL again, W4EJP: HK5BY (80) 14-15, K6OPT: assorted ZSs.

**40** c.w. contended with what seemed to be the heaviest helping of thundershower activity in years, from coast to coast. But the gang persisted, coming out with several satisfying odds and ends, K9ELT: VP5BL (37) 3, W8CSK: WPA4IS, XE1KD, W7DJU: PK8AT, JA1AEA, K6AK, VKs ZL, W7ULC, DU7SV (30), ZL1AZ, FK8 KR6, heard DU7SV hook VU2RM, "Find best conditions are 1300-1500 GMT." K6KIV: pipeline to Japan, JA5 IAE0 IAGU 1JH 2AQ 2OF 2UW 3MF 3ZP/3 9BY 9NN (all near low edge, some c.w. to phone), DU KR6 VK2, VK3s, heard taboed HL2AC, runs a DX-35, BC-455 surplus inhaler, doublet, K6LEB: FK8, K8SHJ: XE2LT (50) 9, VK K8SRL, KL7WAE, JA K4EIV, K2ZSU, K4JMN: has STZ 8WZ, HR1HZ, KZ5s BB BC, OK1EV, XE1NF1, YQ5KAI, W3AQY: FA9FQ (28) 1, T12DN/8 (17) 0, LZ1KPB (38) 0, YQ5AU (20) 0-1, UA2KAW (16) 1 of Kaliningrad, heard EA0AC (10), W3JBL: VK7OM (12), DLs, W1YNP: one ZA1AA. . . . . **Forty** Novice frequencies gave up a few nuggets for the newcomers, W3HLL: G6LL, most rare on 40 meters, K5HQE: WH6CFY, KX5JCC: XE1RR, KX5YXS:



Magodiscio's 51FL stirs up storms of competitive QRM on several phone DX bands. The XYL frequently pitches in to assist in providing Somalia DXCC credits to the persistent W/KJ/VE pack. (Photo via W9WHM)

JA1EF, WH6s BYG CBY CEA, WL7s BWD CEB CEE. . . . . Eighty c.w. writhed painfully under its blanket of QRM for W1YNP: DJ2HC (also worked on 75), K4ELG: EI9J (4) 4, KZ5WU (20) 4, W7DJU: ZLs 1C1 3RQ/4. . . . . Now let's shake the static out of our ears and scrutinize the QSL situation. . . . .

#### Where:

**Oceania** — W6ZEN advises, "Have made arrangements with ZK2AB to handle all his QSLs. I would like to ask all W/Ks working him to send me self-addressed stamped envelopes with their calls thereon. ZK2AB will reply 100 per cent to all cards received by me, which information I will pass on to him via skeds. He will make out the cards and send them to me for relay." . . . . . W6ZVQ handles QSL matters for ZK2AD, according to SCDXC's Bulletin, and this new Niue nitie is reported active on 30 around 0530 GMT. . . . . KC6UZ has mailed out over 1000 QSLs since January, 1954, but his tally of cards received barely exceeds the 500-mark. He has yet to score DXCC. Because of this QSL situation KAL usually ad-opts contests and now restricts his DX activities to one evening per month. "From reports received from KC6 amateurs, as well as from a review of cards going through our bureau, numerous amateurs are indulging in wasteful QSOing or they are actually working bootleggers in other parts of the world. KC6UZ has received numerous QSL cards resulting from the usual pile-ups when some amateurs claim contacts though my log shows me working another station at the time. . . . . If the call of a KC6 station you are working is not shown in your Call Book don't hesitate to cross-examine the station. If you are still suspicious, address an airmail inquiry to Director of Communications, Trust Territory Government, Truk, Eastern Caroline." . . . . . "Was on Wake Island from March to July 29, 1956. If anybody missed out on a QSL from KW6CD I will reissue a card from my present Hawaiian QTH." That from KH6AT whose address follows. . . . . Off the mill of W4DNU/KH6: "Due to the inadvertent destruction of my logs from March 1, 1956, to March 1 of this year, for aeromobile operation in the Far East and Hawaii I now find I am unable to QSL stations worked." Those still needing W4DNU/AM cards can contact Mac at the address that follows, giving full QSO particulars, and he'll do his best to recall QSOs for verification purposes. . . . . W4DNU/KH6 has this to say about ex-VR3E QSL considerations: "VR3E was short on materials when he made his first batch of photographic QSLs on Christmas Island. He was unable to treat the prints adequately and the first 300 have been found subject to severe fading. Anyone who received such an unsatisfactory QSL can drop Leter a line (to G3FYW) and a replacement of better quality will be sent immediately."

**Africa** — Via W1UED, REF makes it official that 3V8AD heads the Tunisia QSL bureau at P.O. Box 303, Tunis. . . . . Walt Snyder, on-the-ball QSL manager for the ET2US gang for some time, left Eritrea in favor of Germany where he hopes to land a DL label. "Twenty years ago I used the call K6DG in Hawaii where I was with the old 11th Signal Company of the Pineapple Division." . . . . . Enthuses W6NTR: "For speedy Ghana QSLs orchids go to ZD4CM. Received my QSL airmail only seven days after QSO!"

**Europe** — G3AAE informs, "Between June 4th and 19th I was on vacation in Jersey, Channel Islands, and operated

as GC3AAE on 14-Mc. c.w. I contacted over 200 stations in 40 countries on all continents. Half the chaps I worked had never QSO'd a GC before! All contacts will be confirmed via RSGB. . . . . SM5WJ, convalescing from a gall bladder operation, assisted W7DJU to secure SM1BJA's QSL for WARM purposes. . . . . SWL Bill Rice at 4 Plain Dr., E. Hartford, Conn., still handles LZ1KJZ's QSL chores for this hemisphere and repeats his request that an IRC accompany each QSL. . . . . W1MAN reports receipt of UR2AK's QSL via ISWL QSL Bureau, 86 Barringer Rd., London N.10, England.

**Hereabouts** — "I returned to the States from KG1AG last fall but I'm still receiving QSLs for that call. I may have missed some stations as I have been in quite a rush since getting back. I welcome inquiries and will QSL all bona-fide contacts." Ken's old KG1 suffix probably has been reassigned at least once since his return, one of this department's pet peeves, so 1957 KG1AG QSOs should be QSL'd elsewhere. Ex-KG1AG — this one, anyway — is former K4IWH and his QTH follows. . . . . "Anyone who worked VP3BE, Turks, between January 19 and May 4, 1956, and who has not yet received a QSL may obtain same by QSLing Wm. G. Root, WQJLF/1, at P.O. Box 981, Nantucket, Mass. . . . . Regarding TI9CR's March-April Cocos venture, TI2HP advises: "All cards received to date have been answered. I have been taking care of the QSLs and there are a few which I have not sent out because the lists in the TI9CR logbook are somewhat confused. I would appreciate your making mention that those who have not received their deserved cards should reply at the address of Radio Club of Costa Rica or directly to me." . . . . . HK7LX rushed out QSLs 100 per cent via air for his first 140 QSOs from Bucaramanga. We hope Edmund's returns will be high enough to justify such a liberal QSL policy. . . . . W1s BJI DBA WPO YNP, W2s HMI IEK SUC, K2s IKS MGR OEA QXG, W3s GRO LMA MAC, W4s ANE HKJ, K4IEX, W6s DZZ KG NTR PUY RLP, K6s GLC LZI, W7PHO, W8FPR, W9CFT, K9COF, W9QGI, G2PL, SP6XA, K6GLZ, clubs ISWL, JDXRC, NNRC, NCDXC, SCDXC, WGDXC and M. Heins supply the following QTH round-ups:

CN8FD, D. L. Thompson, 3150th Maint. Gp., Box 98, SAMAE (EUR), APO 30, New York, N. Y.  
CN8FY (to K4ESI)  
CP1CJ, c/o U. S. Embassy, La Paz, Bolivia  
CR9AL, A. Rodriguez, Military Hospital, Mucuo  
DL4BH, Kaufbeuren ARC, 7331st TTGP MAP, APO 191, New York, N. Y.  
ex-DL4UP, D. Hanuill, W9UNW, 4210 Wanetah Trail, Madison, Wisconsin  
DM2ALN, Box 666, Halle/Saale, East Germany  
EL1R, I. C. Rothnie, Box 36, Harbel, Liberia  
ET3PRS, Police Radio School, P. O. Box 621, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia  
ET3XY, Telecommunications Radio Club, P. O. Box 1047, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia  
FARSD, Box 2, Cap Matifou, Algeria  
FK8AS, Box 151, Noumen, New Caledonia  
FM7WT, A. Meunier, P. O. Box 7, Launcetin, Martinique, F.W.I.  
GC3AAE (to G3AAE or via RSGB)  
HASAP, I. Rostas, I. k. Hess A. ter. 5 sz., Budapest, Hungary  
HK4BO, Box 728, Medellin, Colombia  
HP2CC, P. O. Box 196, Colon, Republic of Panama  
ISFL, Fabio and Lia Martini, P. O. Box 247, Mogadiscio, Somalia  
KA2JE, 2713rd Whse. Sqdn., Box 703, APO 323, San Francisco, California  
KC6KG, K. R. Groote, Koror, Western Caroline Islands, T. T.  
ex-KG1AG (see text preceding)  
KG1FA (to W3ZZG)  
KG1HL, APO 121, New York, N. Y.  
KH6BZZ/KJ6, P. O. Box 84, APO 105, San Francisco, Calif.  
KL7CDF (W9KLD/KL7) (to W9KLD or via W9CFT)  
KP6AL (W7ENK/KP6) (to W7ENK or via KH6BA)  
KW6CB, G. R. LeCaille, Box 72, Wake Island  
ex-KW6CD, R. F. York, KH6AFI, 210 Makee Rd., Honolulu 15, Hawaii, T. H.

KX6BV, C. W. Anderson, 1960th AACs Sqdn., FPO 824, San Francisco, Calif.  
KX6BW, Capt. W. J. Goldring, USN, FPO 824, San Francisco, California  
KZ5RF, R. F. Meaney, Box 735, Fort Kobbe, Canal Zone  
LA2JE/P (via NRRL)  
LUSDEL, Box 6, Quilmes, So. Buenos Aires City, Argentina  
OA4BP, L. Schweiger, P. O. Box 538, Lima, Peru  
OK1AW, A. Weirauch, Mestec Kralove c. 9, Czechoslovakia  
OK1KGR, Lovosice, Czechoslovakia  
PJ2AX, C. G. Wilson, Box 710, Lago Colony, Aruba, N. W. I.  
PX1FC (via UBA)  
PY1BP, A. Teixeira, Rue Humaita 270, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil  
SP5LM/LA/P (via PZK)  
SV0WB/Rhodes, USCG Courier, WAGR-40, FPO, New York, N. Y.  
TA2AB, Box 38, Trabzon, Turkey  
TF2WBV (to WJOS)  
TF2WBZ, APO 81, New York, N. Y.  
TF2WOK (to W8OK)  
TI2IO (ex-DL310) E. V. Hernandez, P. O. Box 4155, San Jose, Costa Rica  
UA4AG, Box 58, Stalingrad, U.S.S.R.  
UB5WF, V. Goncharsky, P. O. Box 41, Lvov, Ukrainian S.S.R.  
VE3AHU/SU (to VE3AHU)  
VK7KM/VK9 (to VK7KM)  
VK9AJ (LKS) 7 Grenstead Rd., Newby, Scarborough, Yorks., England  
VK9VM, P. O. Box 300, Rabaul, New Britain, T. N. G.  
VK9WT (via WSFOG)  
ex-VP5BE (see text preceding)  
VP6US, H. Wheeler, USN Mobile Construction Unit, Box 7, FPO, New York  
VP8BJ, Box 246, Port Stanley, Falkland Islands  
VP9CY, Box 275, Hamilton, Bermuda  
VQ4GO, P. O. Box 30163, Nairobi, Kenya  
VQ6ST, Berbera, British Somaliland  
ex-VR3E (to G3FYW)  
VR4DW (via VR4JB)  
VR4JB, Box 49, Honiara, Guadalcanal, British Solomons  
VS4BA, Dick Hawkins, c/o P&T Dept., Simanggang, Sarawak via Singapore  
W4DNU/KH6, P. G. Roemer, FAW-2 Base Radio, Navy 14, FPO, San Francisco, Calif.  
W5COB/VE8 (to W5CQR)  
W9NLI/VE1 (to W9NLI)  
XE1YI, H. P. Villar, Calle Guillermo Prieto 107, Apto. 7, Col. San Rafael, Mexico, D. F., Mexico  
XE2TA, P. O. Box 846, Juarez, Mexico  
XW8AG, Renf Maspinby, MMF/GRL, Det. EM, Vientiane, Laos  
YN1FV, Box 1769, Managua, Nicaragua  
YN1MF (via YN1FV)  
ex-ZBIAJX, G. Stanton, 54 Lynford Way, Winchester, Hants., England  
ex-ZC4FB, Ted Ross, 18 Abbey Grove, Abbey Wood, London E. 2, England  
ZC4II (via ZC4IP)  
ZD2MFM, c/o DCA, Kano, Nigeria  
ZD4CM, M. Coleman, Box 100, Hahoe, Ghana  
ZK2AB (via W6ZEN)  
ZK2AD (via W6ZVQ)  
ZS8L (to ZE1JV)

## Whence:

**Oceania** — An old favorite is back, gang! Next month WIA (Australia) invites world-wide participation in the 1957 VK/ZL DX Contest to be held (phone) 1000 GMT October 5th to 1000 October 6th, and (c.w.) October 12th-13th, same hours. VK/ZLs will work as many non-VK/ZLs as possible and, naturally, vice versa. The serial exchange is the usual five-digit (phone) and six-digit (c.w.) figure — RST001, RST002, etc., and your initial Test QSO can start with any number between RST001 and RST100. Scoring has changed somewhat: five points per contact, each station to be worked but once per band, and fifty "bonus" points for each different VK/ZL call worked per band (ZLI



M1H, 28-year-old San Marino electronics engineer and teacher, currently panics the 14-Mc. c.w. crowd with a Geloso exciter driving 807's, a war-surplus receiver and a long-wire radiator. When jaded by intensive electromagnetic pursuits Aure relaxes in the sonic spectrum with some real cool jazz. (Photo via W8OHV and W0QGI)

**QST for**



T12HP contributes this photofactual sequence of goings-on last March and April when the Radio Club of Costa Rica activated T19CR on rare Cocos Island. Participating T12s LA and CAH collected 560 QSOs in 44 countries, including 218 phone and 156 c.w. contacts with the U. S. A. T12HP writes, "This expedition was organized in less than a week to take advantage of a very rare trip to the island which was made by a prospecting company. We regret that it could not be prolonged and that we did not have enough time to warn all appropriate journals so that more amateurs could have taken advantage of it." Humberto had hopes of hitting T19 again last month but the odds are always long in Cocos plans. T19CR opened fire on All Fool's Day, a cute psychological plot that fired the skeptics.



through ZL4; VK1 through VK8, excluding VK8). Log the date, GMT, band, call, and serials sent/received in that order, indicating contact and bonus points for each QSO in right-hand columns adjacent. Separate band-sheets are not desired this year; keep your log in the normal chronological sequence of contacts. Attach a summary sheet bearing total claimed score, a brief station description and a signed declaration that rules have been observed. Entries postmarked no later than October 31, 1957, sent to Federal Contest Committee, WIA, Box 1234K, GPO, Adelaide, So. Aus., Australia, will be eligible for certificates of performance which will be awarded to the highest scorer in each country and in each U. S. call area. Here's the year's best chance to salt away key credits toward such Down Under awards as WAP, WAZL and WAVKCA. Good fishin'!

VS4BA's new Simanggang QTH is afflicted with d.e. mains but Dick is undaunted. "In June I loaded up my TX — a 6AG7-6L6-807s combo — into a 60-watt bulb. That lamp's filament just curled up on its toes. So I stretched a long-wire on the floor and CQ'd. That's how I raised my first W in years, and I hammed for two nights with gratifying reports from the antipodes. Now I'm making a cabinet, sprucing up the aerial and rigging for break-in. Right now I have but two crystals, both slap-bang on commercial f.s.k. stations. Tough luck!"

W7PHO has it that VR4DW is about to joint VR4JB in expediting Solomons DXCC credits. The latter likes phone and c.w. on 14,200 and 14,080 kc., respectively. The steady performance of ZC5RF's 60 watts and AR-88 impress K6LZL. Incidentally, it costs ZC5RF \$1.50 to ship one airmail letter to the U. S. A. . . . More from K6LZL's DX notebook: F08AQ, frequently found on 20 around 0830 GMT, runs 50 watts to a Windom and receives with a venerable 822-R. Ray, a former French Navy non-com, is in charge of the port office and coastal radio on Rai-taia, Uturoa, 120 miles northwest of Tahiti. . . . Lines from YJ1DL, now back at Espiritu Santo after travels and a visit Stateide: "I'm extremely busy these days as chief op-technician at the government radio station here. Yet in spite of many and varied duties I cannot keep away from ham radio and find myself once again pounding out the call YJ1DL, chiefly on 14 Mc. I can often be found on 14,020 kc. around 1000-1040 GMT but my time is limited because I must run a large diesel engine for power." You probably know that Dave previously signed VK2DE, VK4DL and ZC3AB. . . . KX6ZB, ex-KC6ZB, worked 107 countries from the Marshalls and now is sweating out his last few DXCC QSLs in California. "Didn't manage WAS because Vermont and Delaware played hard to get." Pappy and XYL Dusty call your attention to the Second Far East Hamfest to be held in Guam come November. . . . KH6AFI and others halfheartedly seek info on one VR8A. . . . W2HMJ says F08AC returned to the air after a



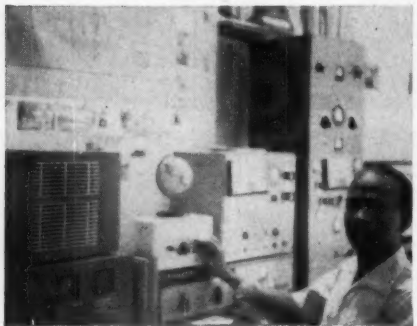
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At Pazardjik on Bulgaria's river Maritsa the LZ1KPZ gang holds forth. From left to right, front, we have operators Pavel, Jo and Luben; at rear are Lubo, Ray, Neiko, Angel, Ivan and Velno. Their club station features a home-made VFOd five-stage 150-watt, six- and seven-tube receivers, and various antennae for 10 through 80 meters. LZ1KPZ's co-op affair is typical of amateur radio in the Russian orbit where private at-home hamming is rarely encouraged. (Photo via Wm. Rice)

two-year QRT and now is living it up with a Viking I. Georges gives W2HMJ to understand that FW8AA is off the air for lack of power source. . . . W6ZZ's research reveals no previous amateur work from Jarvis Isle of the Line group. . . . Samoa is under heavy DXpeditionary attack with W6a HS UOU and K0JEX intending K8G operations around this time. W6ZEN adds that W6UOU has operational eyes on VR5 and ZM7, too. The SS Monterey DXcursion of W6HS and XYL terminates on the 4th of this month after calls at Papeete, Auckland, Sydney, Suva, Pago Pago and Honolulu. Chas. lugged a handy HT-32, SX-101 and vertical skyhook along. . . . W6ZEN credits ZL1FA with prime assistance in getting ZK2AB back on DX bands. . . . Pacific Trust Territory notes courtesy KC6UZ: "KC6RK has returned to school on the mainland. Former colleague KC6JC recently graduated from Novice to General Class and will keep the Eldico on 20 phone. KC6NC, KX6a AK and AL have left these parts. KC6AB is Stateside-bound after four years on Ponape. KC6UZ plans to visit the U. S. after almost ten years of island-hopping in the Central and South Pacific. Upon his return the DX lads will find him on a.s.b. as well as a.m." KC6UZ likes c.w. work, too, but the rudeness of many pilers-up spoils his fun. Carl hints that the T.T. power limit of 600 watts may soon be relaxed to the full gallon. . . . Now from W4DNU/KH6: "Those who worked VR3E on 10 phone may appreciate the fact that he was using only the power supply of his Super Pro as a transmitter h.v. supply. Lester left Christmas in July, leaving

CR4AD of Sal ably represents the Cape Verde Islands, one of the more elusive entities on ARRL's DXCC Countries List. Hilario particularly likes 20 meters, phone and c.w. (Photo via W1QPN)



only VR3G in operation; VR3F departed some time ago. It is suspected that VR3G also will not be on Christmas much longer." W4DNU/KH6 tosses his vote in for some form of "carpetbagger's DXCC". Every place he sets up DX shop he reaches only the 90-country mark and then must off to new horizons. All told W4DNU has worked 178 different countries from such varied locales as Florida, Illinois, Hawaii and Japan. "I've gone stark raving mad just trying to complete one DXCC!" . . . Tantalizing skeds observed by W6RLP and K0GLC: K6GIG on Chichi, W6FVK keying, working his dad, W6JLY, around 14,100 kc.; and VK9AB gassing regularly with VK2EG on 14,065 kc. just after 0600 GMT. . . . KQXC, sort of magnetizing the alphabet soup, raised VK1a DO and DP on the same dead-band 20-meter c.w. CQ.

**South America** — Peru's RCP invites North and South American amateurs to participate in a Panamerican Contest to be held (phone and c.w.) between noon EST September 21st and midnight September 22nd. Object? Work as many North and South American stations as possible outside your own country once per band. For your first transmitted exchange send RST (or RS on phone) followed by any three digits. From then on transmit the last three digits received from the previous station worked. Phone and c.w. entries are to be considered separately, and all entries must record at least 20 QSOs and must include at least one QSO with a Peruvian station. Final score results from multiplying contacts by: the number of American republics worked (21 counting Alaska and the Canal Zone) plus the number of different bands used. Depending upon response, certifications of merit will be awarded to high scorers. To be eligible submit your log transcript within 20 days of the Test's conclusion to Radio Club Peruano, Contest Commission, Casilla 538, Lima, Peru. . . . **Reminder:** LABRE's annual world-wide DX test comes off September 7th-8th (c.w.) and 14th-15th (phone) as detailed here last month. Have fun! . . . CE3AG reports that the worst local storms in 25 years were responsible for the abandoning of sailing-raft Tahiti-Nui off Juan Fernandez isle in late May. A new raft is planned for return voyage from Peru to Tahiti. . . . **Isle Kon-Tiki:** CE3AG's alert ham work is credited with saving the lives of all aboard. . . . G6ZO closes CE3ZO for return to England. . . . W4HKJ scheduled a summer trip through LU PY CX VPI and other areas south of the border.

**Asia** — From ex-YA1AM via W4RDV: "It certainly has been a ham's paradise here, and in closing down I wish to thank all the gang for many kindnesses. We arrive Los Angeles in mid-August and hope to make the ARRL National Convention in the Windy City on Labor Day week end. Then we must report for work in Washington on September 15th." HS1A tells K0GLC that wispy CR8BB (W5LAK) runs a mere six watts. . . . ZC4H returns to England next month after an enjoyable Asiatic DX spree. . . . 3W8AA, whose QSLs are handled by OK1FF, uses all the trick in the book to lure W/Ks into taboo QSOs. Would Phan be so eager if the flood gates were down? . . . . AJD No. 3 and WJDXC No. 1 for the U. S. A. are certifica-

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# Operating News



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**Radio Clubs and Emergency Equipment.** Equipment-wise a 1956 survey disclosed that about 49 per cent of all affiliated clubs have club-owned emergency power units useful for Field Day or public service. In 70 per cent of the clubs individual members have gas-electric units, these averaging 2.4 per club. It is important that every active amateur licensee be ready to do his part and assist in using his amateur facilities and authorization in taking on communications radio responsibilities in any emergency, natural disaster or other. The average radio club can be described as having 32 members, 27 licensed, five interested but unlicensed persons, and 10 per cent of those licensed holding the Novice or Technician Class licenses. Our statistics also show 6.4 mobile-installations per club.

Looking for a possible shortage of equipment in some categories, we find plenty of home (fixed) stations and that the mobiles permitting us to ride around and push buttons and communicate are also reasonably plentiful. The unfilled emergency need in the equipment field seems to be for more hand-carried units of which but three per club were reported. To operate from battery supplies such as available by taking over or cannibalizing the nearest automobile for a battery (in dire emergency), we determined (from our figures) that there are available about 4.7 vibrapacks per club and 6.35 dynamotors in each club group. Multiply this by 100 active affiliated clubs and you have quite a showing of equipment. The fact that we have a successful Field Day demonstrates our know-how in making this equipment operate. The trend in U. S. A. operations has been to establish a thirty-watt class as the lowest power category in Field Days. The RSGB used to set up a *weight limit* for equipment categories although now the trend on the continent seems toward higher powers. But do we perhaps not need some hand-carried equipment category or ARRL Field Day credit for lightweight equipment that can be carried on one's person . . . into zones where automobiles cannot go?

The club sampling indicated about 12 operators per club in RACES plans and about 8.9 as the number of station authorizations covered in RACES plans in a given club's member-participation. FCC records of FCDA approved plans of course give a better idea of the number of station authorizations in the nation. At the end of last year the Federal Civil Defense Administration indicated 42 states as having approved state-level RACES plans; others are still in the

making. There are now over 500 such local plans officially approved and in operation.

**Save Air Mail, Enclose Stamps.** Many an American amateur writes us about the problem of getting the pasteboards (QSLs) from overseas stations. It may help all concerned if we consider this matter from the viewpoint of amateur operators overseas, especially from those so active as to receive a large volume of requests for QSLs. There's no question that "the QSL is the final courtesy of the QSO." This becomes a matter of each of us noting any way to make it easier to QSL. What little contribution to speed and convenience can we make to assist a fellow amateur on meeting the practical problems? KH6IJ (via W2SDB) in *Harmonics*, published by the South Jersey Radio Association, reports that keeping up with QSLs, especially when you make over 5000 contacts in one contest, seems futile. Many even expect him to answer every card by return mail. "If the fellows would only save their air mail stamps on their outgoing letter and enclose a stamp instead, they would get quick action," he writes. Going on with his letter, the bulletin relaying Katashi's remarks says, "While I try not to unduly encourage QSLs, apparently a contact automatically calls for a card when it is a new one. Only one card in each thirty received is now stamped . . . Please help. Tell them to enclose stamps." Where KH6IJ refers to stamps this can apply in US territories *only* of course, enclosure of *return postage* in other areas requires International Reply Coupons, available at U. S. post offices.

**For DX, QSL Follow-ups.** On the hard-to-get ones we are surprised that more amateurs interested in DX are not using the International Reply-Paid postal cards. These are available at your local U. S. post office, a double card to be sent with both halves joined. The reply half, pre-stamped and marked "Carte Postale Réponse" will be accepted in other countries for return, by surface means only, and without payment of additional postage. This of course is not as fancy as your personal imprinted card, but how can you lose at only 8¢? It necessitates no delay or load on the overworked QSL Bureaus. You know that your own address is complete and correct because you put it there. An exact blank form like the ARRL log form *can* be reproduced on the return part of such a double card, of course. The chances are that (from the rare ones) you are looking for reliable acceptable confirming-QSO information instead of exotic scenes or a display of color in the call letters.



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3550	3875	7110	7250
14,050	14,225	21,050	21,400
28,100	29,640	50,550	145,350

Therefore you can use these IRP postal cards without *any* printing, *after* some six months or more have elapsed — and still no QSL.

As to the mailing of this follow-up or repeat card, be sure you include all data the original card carried as to the QSO that took place. Your earlier normal QSL may not ever have arrived, and this one will *require* a check-up in someone's log before he's going to respond to such a follow-up. And you will *not* want your attempt to be spurned as a spurious request! Both halves of the card we suggest should show spaces for the essential data. Your side filled out fully will assist the operator in locating the part of the log to be followed when he fills out the part to come back to you. Both station calls, the fact that a QSO is confirmed, the date and time it took place, the frequency, mode, signal report and the operator's signature should be on any such documentary proof sent back to you. These items are all more likely to be there if you take the trouble to stress the need or indicate by space provisions for specified information on the form to be sent back to you that all this information is desired.

The regular international reply coupons can be used in any letter sent overseas to prepay for the overseas amateur an ordinary surface-mail letter reply — which you hope will contain your QSL! Such single coupons cost 13¢ each at your local U. S. post office. They are good in all countries except Korea, so far as we know. The call-book's table of mail rates to different countries also gives an indication of how many international reply coupons are required to prepay an Air Mail reply.

**Fall Season Announcements.** Some of that good fall operating weather should be just around the corner as this *QST* arrives. We also hope to be meeting many of you at the ARRL National Convention at Chicago over the Labor Day week end. Returning home from that you and I will be set for on-the-air activities to make the best of the good September operating conditions. What we do through the medium of our stations is a key to our amateur progress. Don't forget that your SCM will welcome your monthly report of your station activities whatever frequency or group you work with. Your Section Net will give you a warm welcome. Holding down an ARRL station appointment such as the SCM can offer, if you rate it, or getting into spot activities, will increase your circle of ham friends. Accelerated communication results come from any taking part in organized amateur radio communications.

With things looking up for the best operating season ever in every amateur specialty let us try our equipment where possible in the special activities scheduled for September. (1) See the

announcement elsewhere in this issue for the ARRL Frequency Measuring Test, the evening of Sept. 18. If you have a BC-221 or LM-frequency meter or receiver with 100 kc. crystal and good calibration and stability, give this a whirl and *see* how well you can do. (2) Don't forget the Code Proficiency Qualifying Runs from W6OWP and W1AW . . . Sept. 5 and 17 respectively. (3) The W/VE Contest is put on by the Montreal Amateur Radio Club for dates of Sept. 28-29. We think you will find it interesting to try your hand. Send *them* your results (not us) per the notice of this activity elsewhere in this issue. (4) Try the Virginia Free-For-All QSO Party (rules this issue) the week end of Sept. 14-15. Here's plenty of inviting activity. Don't pass up these opportunities! For the *coming* months we also invite attention to the ARRL Activities Calendar. See you on the air!

— F. E. H.

### A.R.R.L. ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Sept. 5: CP Qualifying Run — W6OWP  
 Sept. 17: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW  
 Sept. 18: Frequency Measuring Test  
 Sept. 21-22: V.H.F. QSO Party  
 Oct. 2: CP Qualifying Run — W6OWP  
 Oct. 12-13: Simulated Emergency Test  
 Oct. 16: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW  
 Oct. 19-20: CD QSO Party (c.w.)  
 Oct. 26-27: CD QSO Party (phone)  
 Nov. 7: CP Qualifying Run — W6OWP  
 Nov. 9-10, 16-17: Sweepstakes  
 Nov. 14: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW  
 Dec. 4: CP Qualifying Run — W6OWP  
 Dec. 20: CP Qualifying Run — W1AW

### OTHER ACTIVITIES

Sept. 7-8: New York City-Long Island QSO Party, New York Radio Club (page 108, this issue).  
 Sept. 7-8: LABRE DX Contest (c.w.), LABRE (page 74, August *QST*).  
 Sept. 14-15: LABRE DX Contest (phone), LABRE (page 74, August *QST*).  
 Sept. 14-15: Virginia Free-for-All QSO Party, W4KX (page 128, this issue).  
 Sept. 21-22: Pan American Contest, Radio Club of Peru (page 74, this issue).  
 Sept. 28-29: W/VE Contest, Montreal Amateur Radio Club (page 84, this issue).  
 Oct. 5-6: VK/ZL DX Contest (phone), NZART and WIA (page 72, this issue).  
 Oct. 12-13: VK/ZL DX Contest (c.w.), NZART and WIA (page 72, this issue).

The following lists date, name, and sponsor. Details will be presented in future issues of *QST*.

Oct. 5-6: Connecticut QSO Party, Connecticut Wireless Association.  
 Nov. 1-2: RTTY Sweepstakes, RTTY Society of Southern California.  
 Nov. 23-24: 21/28 Mc. Telephony Contest, RSCB.



One thing that is impossible to simulate in any hypothetical emergency is the chaos and consequent loss of efficiency which would be so definite a part of any real attack. In the Operation Alert just concluded, there was a tendency on the part of participating personnel, both communications and otherwise, to make the exercise a "picnic" as an outlet for humor, kidding, fun and jokes. It's all a big game of make-believe, and we try to hide our sheepishness at playing this kids' game by indulging in a little humor. Some of us (i.e., those who are kids) participate mainly for the enjoyment we get out of this aspect.

And why not? It is enough to simulate the situation itself without being asked to simulate the reactions that would result if the situation were real. We are communicators, not actors. Yet, in our analysis of results of simulated emergencies, especially those dealing with wholesale enemy attack, we ought to take these things into consideration. If fifty million people out of 150 million people were wiped out by the attack, this would mean that 50,000 amateurs were wiped out with them, and that our communications force, whatever its make-up, would be reduced by one third. Many of our facilities would have gone with them, reducing our capacity to communicate. Communicators left alive and able to perform would blanch as the reports of destruction and chaos poured in, would be excited, nervous, worrying about their loved ones and about their own safety. Some would, let's face it, desert. Would you stay on duty if you were separated from your family and had no knowledge of their whereabouts or their welfare? Those remaining would be overworked, overwrought, emotionally unstable, and would quickly reach the point of physical and mental collapse. Both the confusion and the traffic load would be multiplied at least tenfold over anything we have ever simulated. The real thing would very little resemble the most realistic test we have had. And yet we try to estimate the actual situation on the basis of tests and simulated attacks.

Speaking on the average, if the real thing came along we would need at least ten times the facilities, personnel, installations, supplies and channels that we now count on. For a long time, there would be no "routine" or "deferred" traffic. It would all be "urgent" and, under the pressure of officials desperately needing communications, circuit discipline would be worse, not better, than it always has been—a lot worse.

Usually, when someone starts talking as above, he prefaces it by saying: "I don't want to frighten you, but . . ." It seems to us that it's about time we start getting frightened, or at least looking at the situation realistically instead of wishfully. We are woefully unprepared, and this is mainly because, although everybody who thinks about it at all realizes it *could* happen, very few really believe that there is any likelihood of its happening. To those who are convinced that it will never happen (they hope), all this preparation is a waste of time, energy, and money. If it *should* happen, they will show up to offer their services and succeed only in adding to the confusion. Meanwhile, they exercise their right to sneer.

No immediate solution is suggested. What *is* suggested is that we face facts, and one of the facts is that our communications facilities in RACES are still a long, long distance from being in an adequate position to handle the emergency communications load that would be dropped on us in the event of enemy attack. We can and will continue to do what we can with what we have to do it with, and we can be proud of the fact that our results are probably closer to adequacy than those of most c.d. services, but let's not indulge in wishful thinking, fellows. Let's not kid ourselves.

W3CVE suggests that each emergency net take upon itself the responsibility of having one of its stations monitor the National Calling and Emergency Frequency at all times during any emergency. The frequency monitored

would normally be the one in the band which the emergency net is using. In this way, stations with traffic for the affected area would not need to know the frequency of the emergency net serving that area; they would simply call their traffic onto the NCEF. Such stations need not be in the emergency area, but should be capable of handling traffic to and from that area.

On April 11 a Navy plane out of Jacksonville Naval Air Station was reported missing somewhere in the Charleston/Savannah area. W5CQF, who lives next door to the missing flier's parents in New Orleans, on April 14 contacted the Charleston Navy Yard by amateur radio, which reported no information available. Later that evening W4NEK at Jacksonville was contacted, and one of the search pilots spoke directly to the missing flier's parents. Contact was maintained with W4NEK for 14 days, usually via relays since band conditions seldom permitted direct contact. Amateurs who participated in relaying included W2BGY, K4AAF, KP4DP, W2GBU, W1VP, W0TGL and W2EWL. —W5CQF.

Alabama's Azalea Emergency Net (AENG) was in operation on April 14 when floods threatened Mobile. NCS was W4QEE with K4EEH (EC) and K4JOK operating. Handling traffic for the Coast Guard, Red Cross and National Guard, the net was instrumental in the evacuation of 50 people ahead of the flood waters. Amateurs participating included W4s FBZ/m, LPT/m YAI WHW/m CSA/m IAX/m NU, K4s ESR BVG, W5HAL/m4. —W4TKL, SEC Ala.

Lubbock County (Texas) EC W5BFF reports amateurs in his organization were active in nine tornado and storm alerts in the period April 20 to May 31 involving roughly 46 operating hours and 1156 man hours of operation.

During the early May dry spells in the Northeast, many forest fires broke out, the most serious of which appear to have occurred in Eastern Massachusetts. Reports from W1BB, W1PST, W1ALP, W1IBE and W1KCR will supplement the information already provided by W1TZ in August QST (p. 80). Members of the Winthrop Emergency net reported for duty in Manchester, under the leadership of alternate radio officers W1DLY and W1DEL. Around-the-clock operation was maintained from Winthrop to Manchester, Beverly, Topsfield and other points by twelve amateurs, both from their own stations and field points. Operations at Manchester were conducted by W1DWY, radio officer for Beverly. The following additional Winthrop amateurs participated: W1s WLP CFJ JJI IOO IRV DPN EAJ BDU MQB YZN KN1AIQ/m, W1IBE sends, through W1ALP, an interesting report of his activities in this area. It seems that Area 1 of Mass. C.D. asked him and W1DWY to set up communications between Manchester and Topsfield, and they finally wound up atop the old WWZ tower 80 feet high, the only point from which they could contact Topsfield. Contact with the town hall of Manchester was then established through another 2 meter link. W1IBE was on duty atop the rotting tower for over six hours, and later went to Topsfield to help man that end of the circuit for another eight hours. The following additional amateurs were reported to have participated in fire activities from the Manchester area: W1s AR LLY NAD NDI EIQ RSY AQE ZGA YEP CQL ENS KTG JPS EZZ NAR ZAW DKS FTX NF DWY and K2UHU. W1PST reports that on May 9 he was requested to provide communications between Area 1 Sector 10 and the fire at Plymouth. W1VBC was activated and manned by W1s PST YZG and ABJ. W1s BAB TTS and KTJ provided the link to Topsfield on 10 meters. At Sector 1B in Plymouth W1s MME DXQ and CRO were mobile in the heart of the fire, keeping communications lines open with W1s NLJ MIO HSN ALP

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3620 kc.

7140 kc.

IPE and TZ. W1KCR reports that he relieved W1RJC at the police station in Plymouth and worked with W1E1F until W1MYE arrived to relieve the latter. W1GLF was operating from Kingston and at times from his mobile. W1LH and BTL dropped in during the evening. W1KCR operated for 24 hours solid, with no sleep.

On the evening of May 14, greater Cleveland was visited by a violent windstorm with winds up to 90 m.p.h. Because of severe damage, civil defense in the western part of the city was alerted. When c.d. officials arrived at their headquarters they found the amateurs already there and in operation. The following amateurs participated: W8s AJH BUQ FKB HFE INO NGY OTO OKI VM ZEU, K8AAG. — W8EAU, EC Cuyahoga Co., Ohio.

On the evening of May 20 a tornado storm system moved across Kansas into Missouri. Funnel wrecks damage on Ottawa, Spring Hill, Martin City, Hickman Mills and Ruskin Heights, the latter two suburbs of Kansas City. Working under the general control of W0RVG, the Heart of American Radio Club station at Kansas City Red Cross, 10-meter mobiles provided communications between the stricken area and Red Cross. Telephone communications were non-existent. W0MID in southern Kansas acted as net control for the mobiles, who were working with Red Cross disaster teams. Mobiles were also dispatched to various hospitals to provide for better routing of patients. Later, Red Cross centers were set up at the disaster area with a mobile assigned to each. K0AFW of Hickman Mills is reported to have been the first station in action. The Johnson County Radio Amateurs Club station W0ERH was set up at Johnson County Red Cross headquarters to provide communication with mobiles. This is the substance of a report of this emergency in *Midwest Clize*.

Within less than an hour after the tornado struck Spring Hill, K0ESW/m and W0WJC/m arrived from Kansas City, assisted by K0HWM. K0EOR arrived a few hours later, set up as a base station at the disaster center, and acted as NCS relaying instructions to the mobiles; he was assisted by K0HVF. The amateurs aided the Sheriff's Patrol, the Highway Patrol, local police in controlling vehicular traffic, search parties, directing clean-up crews and providing communications between officials. Thanks to K0EOR for the report on details at Spring Hill.

During the afternoon of May 21, tornadoes struck several Missouri communities, with maximum damage at Fremont and Desloge. A group of six-meter mobiles was sent from St. Louis to set up relays to Desloge. First traffic from Desloge was originated at 1135, only two relays being required (although three were set up) until 0330 May 22, after which no relaying was necessary. Traffic was handled for the Red Cross and Weather Bureau. W0WEQ traveled between the three relay stations to help as needed. Relays were set up at High Ridge (W0NYF and K0IEK), Hereinaum (K0ABA), Flat River (W0THC and K0BVL) and Desloge (K0CRR and W0UWK). K0CVS aided K0DGG at the St. Louis terminus. The station at Flat River was finally set up as a fixed portable with a 100-watt linear amplifier. Operators were released by the Red Cross at 0940 May 22, at which time two telephone lines were in service to St. Louis. W0GPB furnished some initial information from Desloge. Other amateurs participating included W0s ODI CVS GEP WPS AUO CDA CPI GMG GYP LFE MRR NVH OMG PTG QMP RMX UXT YOR ZZI, K0s DCQ DGE, W0s BDW SBO AIU. Thanks to Missouri SCM W0GEP for this report.

On May 21 the Gadsden (Ala.) Emergency Net (AENII) went into emergency session to assist in communications connected with a lost boy in the local mountain area. Information was relayed by AENII to a local broadcast station for dissemination to the public and searchers without direct communication. When the lost child was located two hours later, the information was relayed from K43TO/m to K4AJK/m to K43WR who phone patched this contact direct to the b.c. station. Also assisting were W4YPC W4DEQ and K4JMC. — W4TKL, SEC Ala.

When W9RUK heard a call for assistance from W2ZXM/mm on June 5, he made contact and was told

that the Flying Enterprise II had a sick seaman aboard with no doctor. W9RUK called a doctor friend at the Glenview (Ill.) Naval Air Station and patched him to W2ZXM/mm, for consultation and diagnosis. The malady was diagnosed as penicillin allergic reaction and treatment was prescribed. The following day, when another contact was made, W2ZXM reported that the seaman was much better and would soon be up and around.

On June 29, a train wreck at Guthrie, Ky., alerted a number of Tennessee and Kentucky amateurs who were able to assist by providing information concerning the wreck and handling welfare traffic on 3980 kc. for a period of about 6 hours. Stations participating were W4s W1R CVM GEN PEP AYQ BMI AND WQT. W4WQT served as NCS and is proud of the fact that he did this with a 20-watt s.s.b. rig.

On July 5 EC W2GTI was called upon to assist in operations connected with dragging the Hudson River 16 miles south of Albany in search of a drowning victim. Communications were needed between ships and the Yacht Club pier from which operations were being conducted. W2FOO and K2EJV immediately proceeded to the scene in their mobiles, while K2MBF stood by as a base station for Albany. K2HQI, W2FFN and K2HPM also readjusted their personal holiday plans in order to help. Continuous operation of the ship-to-pier and pier-to-base station circuit enabled keeping track of many search boats, food and gasoline requests, messages for the coroner, undertaker and, finally, the "mission accomplished" message to state police headquarters, which arrived by amateur radio several minutes before other facilities for its transmission were available. W2s DIF and LXP and K2s RDI and HVO also assisted. All equipment used was owned and operated by the AREC members. — W2GTI, EC Bethlehem, N. Y.

Twenty SECs submitted reports on May activities on behalf of 5647 AREC members. This is a slight increase over last year's record. Rhode Island reported for the first time this year, putting our total sections heard from at 32. So far, 13 sections have 100% reporting records for 1957. Mid-year summary next month. Other sections reporting for May: Ga., Minn., W. N. Y., N. M., Colo., E. Fla., Wis., San Joaquin Valley, NYC-LI, Santa Clara Valley, Mont., Maritime, Ont., Wash., So. Tex., Conn., Ore., Mo., Ala.

## RACES News

Quite an extensive RACES-AREC program is being planned for the National Convention in Chicago over the Labor Day week end. See page 54, August QST for details.

Hope you can be there. RACES and the AREC will have a special room available, open during the entire convention, and no doubt we'll be hanging around there a lot, so be sure to drop over to say hello and to talk over your RACES problems with Jim McGregor from FCDA and yours truly. ARRL and FCDA are going to get together in person before the convention to map strategy, agree on what to disagree on, and in general get our signals straightened out; so if you're expecting to observe any fist fights from that quarter, you'll be disappointed. However, there should be plenty of fireworks from other sources. If present plans materialize, WINJM/m will be on the air en route to the convention on Thursday, August 29 and Friday morning, August 30, on 80, 40, 20 or 10 meters, phone and/or c.w., so give a listen for us. See y'all in Chicago.

RACES news is scarce this month, probably because everybody is so busy with Operation Alert. If you have not yet sent us any information on your participation, it is now too late to do so if our plans to have the write-up in October QST have materialized. But send it anyway, in case the write-up has to be deferred a month (as it was last year). If we get it too late, we may still be able to summarize in this column. Don't forget to send us any pictures you may have taken.



## BRASS POUNDERS LEAGUE

Winners of BPL Certificates for June traffic:

Call	Orig.	Recd.	Rel.	Del.	Total
W7BA	29	1109	1069	39	2246
W3W1Q	151	981	971	71	2174
W2KCB	62	990	722	130	1904
W3CUL	199	837	724	83	1843
W0BDR	25	747	695	2	1469
W4PL	6	728	697	20	1451
W0SCA	5	680	562	2	1149
W0PZO	5	542	519	9	1075
W0CPI	11	510	483	27	1031
W7PCY	31	429	387	47	889
W0LGG	27	394	368	18	807
W9MAK	36	375	327	22	760
W3RCF	2	367	332	35	736
W0DK	22	334	331	25	712
W7APF	9	346	345	1	701
W7VAZ	27	307	253	54	641
W0BLL	5	319	311	3	638
W6GYH	340	175	91	29	635
K7WAT	18	312	281	19	630
W9CXY	5	305	275	30	615
W0GAR	4	298	286	6	594
K6DYX	7	271	232	25	535
K2PHF	136	203	121	54	514
W2KVF	2	257	201	49	509
Late Report:					
W5UXE (May)	72	227	154	73	526

### More-Than-One-Operator Stations

K5WAB	47	826	775	52	1700
K7FAE	48	613	633	28	1322
K6MCA	128	221	220	1	570

BPL for 100 or more *originations-plus-deliveries*:

K6GZ	301	W3TN	107	K2MMM	101
W9NZZ	164	K6CYD	107	Late Report:	
W8CSK	132	W0NXY	106	W1WTG (May)	
W0JYO	121	W1FUA	105		
KN1BCS	109	K7FBN	103		

### More-Than-One-Operator Stations

K9USN	192	K5FFB	103
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BPL medallions (see Aug. 1954 QST, p. 64) have been awarded to the following amateurs since last month's listing: W2BXP, W4PTC, W4RLC, K5AEX, W5ESB, W6BPT, K6DYX, K6OZJ, W4HXR, VE3DPO.

The BPL is open to all amateurs in the United States, Canada, Cuba and U. S. possessions who report to their SCM a message total of 500 or more, or 100 or more *originations-plus-deliveries* for any calendar month. All messages must be handled on amateur frequencies within 48 hours of receipt, in standard ARRL form.

## TRAFFIC TOPICS

Last year we promised to try to get the net directory out a little earlier. We still intend keeping that promise, but we need your help. The main reason we have not been able to produce it before the end of January in the past couple of years is that registrants do not send us their registration information in decent season. When you read this, if you have not yet re-registered your net (since August 1) for the fall season, how about sitting right down and doing so? Give us the following information:

(1) *Name of Net.* We want the official name of the net, not what you think it ought to be. If your net has no official name, how about adopting one? Remember that whatever name you adopt will appear on the list, so let's try to keep a semblance of dignity in order to impress, not simply to amuse.

(2) *Net designation, if any.* The set of letters which identify the net on the air or in conversation.

(3) *Frequency or frequencies, in kc.* If more than one frequency, be sure you line them up properly with days of operation.

(4) *Days.* Tell us which days, not how many. "Daily," for this listing, means every day, including both Saturday and Sunday.

(5) *Call of net manager.* The net manager is the amateur who organizes the net, arranges for NCS, conducts correspondence, etc. If these are different people, give us the call of the over-all boss.

(6) *Net starting time(s).* Net ending time(s). If your net has no specific ending time, indicate it approximately. Use standard (not "daylight" or "local") time, or use GMT. Be sure to indicate your time zone by AST, EST, CST, MST or PST.

(7) *Direct coverage.* This is the coverage of your net by stations who actually report in, not including the coverage of nets or stations with whom regular liaison is maintained.

(8) *Purpose of net.* We are not interested in registering strictly social or ragchew nets. Indicate purpose as traffic, emergency or both. If neither, leave blank.

(9) *Starting date.* If a new net, the date it started. If a net recessed for the summer, indicate its fall starting date. If an old, continuously-operating net, the year it was founded.

(10) *Net control stations.* List them by call. They go on our mailing list to receive certain bulletins.

(11) *NTS?* Indicate whether net is an integral part of the ARRL National Traffic System. In other words, is this net represented in its NTS regional net in accordance with the NTS plan?

(12) *Liaisons.* We'd like to know the names (or designations) of nets with which regular traffic interchange is conducted.

(13) *Call of the amateur who submitted this information.*

We are making Form CD-85 net registration cards available through the medium of September LO Bulletin and the October CD Bulletin, as usual. These cards will be sent to anyone on request. Net Managers of record are receiving reminders to re-register their nets, as are all other persons who registered nets last year. Generally speaking, it is not possible for us to go through reports, bulletins or miscellaneous correspondence to ferret out registration information, so better make a special point to send us the information requested above.

First QST list will be in November QST; let's make it a big one. Supplementary lists will appear in the January, March and May issues. As soon as registrations appear to be complete, we'll compile the annual complete cross-indexed net directory. This year, we'd like to close out net registrations for the completed directory by November 1, so that the directory can start distribution by the end of that month. It's a worthy objective; whether or not it can be realized is pretty much up to you guys.

### NET REGISTRATION

Name of Net.....

Net Designation.....Freq.....Days.....

Mgr.....Starts.....Ends.....ST

Direct coverage.....

Purpose of Net.....Starting date.....

NCS.....NTS?.....

Liaisons.....

This info submitted by.....  
(Name and/or call)

CD-85 (Rev. 9/54)

The best way to register your net is to request a copy of this net registration form from ARRL, or to put this form on a postcard. It contains all the information we need on your net.

*Important Note:* registration of your net in our net directory gives you no special status as over an unregistered net. The net listing is for information only.

Going to the National Convention in Chicago over Labor Day week end? Art Swinfin, W9DO, and Jim Wilson, W9BUK, are cooking up an interesting traffic program. See details in August QST, p. 52. Hope to see you there.

Miscellaneous June reports: Dragg Net held 20 sessions, handled 1615 messages, checked in 386 stations. Interstate Sideband Net handled 481 messages, had 43 stations in an average session in an average time of 1:20. The Early Bird Transcontinental Net reports a traffic total of 428 in 29 sessions. North Texas-Oklahoma Net reports 30 sessions, 954 check-ins, 291 messages. Transcontinental Phone Net reports: 1st Call Area — 1171; Second Call Area — 939; 4th, 9th and 9th call areas — 875; Total — 2985.

*National Traffic System.* In NTS, net managers for section nets are appointed by the SCM concerned; this takes the matter nicely out of the hands of headquarters people. At regional, area and TCC levels, however, it's a different story. The rules and regs of the Communications Department require that NTS net managers at regional and area levels be appointed by the Communications Manager. Under certain procedural requirements, this responsibility has been delegated in almost *carte blanche* fashion to your NTS Manager.

We thought you might like to know just how we go about selecting appointees for these important posts.

First of all, we get a recommendation from the outgoing manager, if he has one. If we agree (and we usually do) that this is desirable, we then write that person to ask if he's interested, and if he will accept. This letter, although addressed to the prospective manager, is mailed to his SCM with instructions to remit it to the addressee if he approves the appointment. After all, the SCM knows the people in his section better than we do, and on occasion this procedure has prevented us from appointing some undesired amateurs; it has also caused delays and embarrassment. Anyway, after the SCM has indicated his approval by forwarding the letter, and the prospective manager agrees to tackle the job, we send him full particulars on exactly what is expected of him, plus whatever forms or other supplies he needs. After he has held down the job for a while, he gets a special hand-lettered certificate from headquarters.

In the event that no replacement for an outgoing manager is immediately available, the selection of one can be a time-consuming process. It is seldom easy to find the best combination of ability and willingness, and once in a while the former has to compromise with the latter. A regional or area net managership can be as hard or as easy as the man selected himself makes it. Most managers seem to feel that it is their job to take assignments as NCS or liaison stations when no one else is available. We don't look at it quite this way. The manager is the leader, the coordinator, not the man of all work. While it is all very well for him to set an example by taking a regular assignment himself, he is not expected to carry the full load, or even more than his fair share of it. We occasionally have an NTS manager who finds it unnecessary to take any regular assignments, who can thus devote himself entirely to seeing that the NCS and liaison rosters are full and to doing the necessary paper work. That this is a rarity is unfortunate, and is an indication that all is not as it should be.

Being an NTS net manager or TCC director can be rewarding in its own right, without paper recognition, although we do our best to provide this too. We would like to have a situation in which more traffic amateurs are not only willing but eager to take on such leadership roles and to express this eagerness without undue modesty when a managership is "up for grabs." We would like to see it a position to be sought after rather than to be avoided. And we would like to see their jobs made both easier and more enjoyable by their having plenty of willing operators to choose from to fill all NCS and liaison positions in operation of their nets. This is where you can help.

#### June reports:

Net	Sessions	Traffic	Rate	Average	Representation %
1RN	24	271	0.56	11.3	82.7 <sup>1</sup>
2RN	49	277	0.43	5.7	92.5
3RN	40	158	0.57	3.9	81.7
4RN	20	126	0.33	3.3	41.4 <sup>1</sup>
RN5	25	225	0.20	9.0	42.0
RN6	28	391	0.70	14.0	22.4 <sup>1</sup>
RN7	42	185	0.61	4.4	—
8RN	45	190	—	4.2	74.8
9RN	52	755	0.71	14.5	79.3
TEN	88	1367	—	15.5	58.9
ECN	9	27	—	3.0	77.8 <sup>1</sup>
EAN	21	716	1.28	34.0	94.4
CAN	29	1000	1.65	31.0	100
PAN	30	905	0.50	30.2	100
Sections <sup>2</sup>	539	3515	—	6.5	—
TCC Eastern	40 <sup>3</sup>	83	—	—	—
TCC Central	—	1446	—	—	—
TCC Pacific	131 <sup>3</sup>	765	—	—	—

Total/Summary	1041	12402	CAN	9.7	CAN / PAN
Record	1041	12402	1.77	15.9	100

<sup>1</sup> Regional Net representation based on one session per night. Others are based on two or more sessions.

<sup>2</sup> Section nets reporting: GSN (Ga.); ILN (Ill.); CPN (Conn.); Iowa 75 Phone; QKS, QKS 88 & QKN (Kans.); NTX (Texas); KYN & KPN (Ky.); NJN (N.J.); MSN (Minn.); WVN (W. Va.); AENB, AENP & AENT (Ala.); WSN (Wash.); S.D. 40 Phone & S.D. 75 Phone (S. Dak.); Tenn. CW; QMN (Mich.).

<sup>3</sup> TCC functions reported, not counted as net sessions.

Note the 100% reporting reflected in the tabulation, due to conscientious reporting of two non-managers who knew the net data would not otherwise be reported.

Starting next month, the "rate" column will be calculated somewhat differently. In accordance with a proposal by W2ZRC, with which a majority of regional and area net managers seem to agree, in the future the "rate" will be the month's traffic total divided by the total number of minutes the net was in session that month. It is felt that this will give more significance to this column of the tabulation.

W2ZRC reports that 2RN is now holding its first daily session (at 1745 EST) on 7100 kc., to overcome local conditions; a 2RN certificate has been awarded to K2PHF. W3UE is encouraged about activity on 3RN. W4AKC reports for 4RN in the continued absence of W4LAP from the scene. W5RCF and W4RLG reported for RN5 in the absence of an RN5 manager. RN7 is being troubled by conditions. W8DSX can't see why other net managers have no success with the 2130 regional session. Tornado weather washed out eight TEN sessions during June; note their resulting low traffic total. Poor conditions and vacations are taking their toll on ECN. Nice report from PAN manager K6DYX, who says that W6PLG has received his regional net certificate and gives some potent thoughts on NTS.

Transcontinental Corps. W3WG and W6KQD both reported on Form CD-133, so here are their data:

Area	Functions	% Successful	Traffic	Out-of-net Traffic
Eastern	39	84.6	365	83
Pacific	131	87.0	1528	765
Total	170	86.5	1893	848

The TCC roster: Eastern Area—W1s AW NJM BDI EMG, W2s HDW ZRC, W3WG, W4ZDB, W9CXY, W9DO; Central Area—W9s CXY DO JUJ, W9s BDR SCA LGG KJZ; Pacific Area—W6s ADB GIW VZT PLG YHM EOT RFW BPT IPW VPC HC, K6s CME DYX GZ ORT, W7s GMC UJL ZBO, W6KQD. These boys and gals are doing a terrific job.

## FREQUENCY MEASURING TEST, SEPTEMBER 18

ARRL invites all amateurs to try their hand at frequency measuring. WIAW will transmit signals for this purpose starting at 9:30 P.M. EDT (6:30 P.M. PDST), Wednesday, September 18. The signals will consist of dashes interspersed with station identification. These will follow a general message sent to help listeners to locate the signals before the measurement transmission starts. The approximate frequencies used will be 3539, 7044 and 14,095 kc. About 4½ minutes will be allowed for measuring each frequency, with long dashes for measurement starting about 9:36 P.M. It is suggested that frequencies be measured in the order listed. Transmissions will be found within 5 or 10 kc. of the suggested frequencies.

At 12:30 A.M. EDT, September 19 (9:30 P.M. PDST, September 18), WIAW will transmit a second series of signals for the Frequency Measuring Test. Approximate frequencies used will be 3667, 7015 and 14,056 kc.

Individual reports on results will be sent to all amateurs who take part and submit entries. When the average accuracy reported shows error of less than 71.43 parts per million, or falls between 71.43 and 357.15 parts per million, participants will become eligible for appointment by SCMs as Class I or Class II OOs respectively.

This ARRL Frequency Measuring Test will be used to aid qualification of ARRL members as Class I and Class II observers. Present observers not demonstrating the requisite average accuracy will be reclassified appropriately until they demonstrate the above-stated minimum required accuracy. Class I and Class II OOs must participate in at least two FMTs each year to hold appointments. SCMs (see listing, page 6) invite applications for Class III and IV observer posts, good receiving equipment being the main requirement. All observers must make use of cooperative notices, reporting activity monthly through SCMs, to warrant continued holding of appointment.

Any amateur may submit measurements on one or all frequencies listed above. No entry consisting of a single measurement will be eligible for QST listing of top results. Listing will be based on over-all average accuracy.



## CODE PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

Twice each month special transmissions are made to enable you to qualify for the ARRL Code Proficiency Certificate. The next qualifying run from WIAW will be made on September 17 at 2130 Eastern Daylight Saving Time. Identical texts will be sent simultaneously by automatic transmitters on 1885, 3555, 7080, 14,100, 21,010, 50,900 and 145,600 kc. The next qualifying run from W6OWP only will be transmitted on September 5 at 2100 PDST on 3590 and 7128 kc.

Any person can apply. Neither ARRL membership nor an amateur license is required. Send copies of all qualifying runs to ARRL for grading, stating the call of the station you copied. If you qualify at one of the six speeds transmitted, 10 through 35 w.p.m., you will receive a certificate. If your initial qualification is for a speed below 35 w.p.m., you may try later for endorsement stickers.

Code-Practice transmissions are made from WIAW each evening at 2130 EDST. Approximately 10 minutes' practice is given at each speed. References to texts used on several of the transmissions are given below. These make it possible to check your copy. For practice purposes, the order of words in each line of QST text sometimes is reversed. To improve your fist, hook up your own key and buzzer or audio oscillator and attempt to send along with WIAW.

Date Subject of Practice Text from July QST

- Sept. 3: *Test Meters and How to Use Them*, p. 18  
 Sept. 6: *A Saw-Tooth Crystal Calibrator*, p. 22  
 Sept. 9: *Rule 11*, p. 27  
 Sept. 12: *Simplified CRPL DX Predictions*, p. 28  
 Sept. 19: *1957 Novice Round-up Results*, p. 46  
 Sept. 23: *Simplified Transmitter Control*, p. 39  
 Sept. 26: *Operating Achievement Awards*, p. 50

## WIAW SUMMER SCHEDULE

(All times given are Eastern Daylight Saving Time)  
 A printed local map showing how to get to WIAW from main highways or from the Hq. office will be sent to amateurs advising their intention to visit the station.

### Operating-Visiting Hours:

Monday through Friday: 1300-0100 (following day).

Saturday: 1900-0230 (Sunday). Sunday: 1500-2230.

Exception: WIAW will be closed from 2230 Sept. 1 to 1300 Sept. 3 in observance of Labor Day.

*Official ARRL Bulletin Schedule:* Bulletins containing latest information on matters of general amateur interest are transmitted on regular schedules.

### Frequencies (kc.):

C.w.: 1885, 3555, 7080, 14,100, 21,010, 50,900, 145,600.

Phone: 1885, 3945, 7255, 14,280, 21,330, 50,900, 145,600.

### Times:

Sunday through Friday, 2000 by c.w., 2100 by phone.

Monday through Saturday, 2330 by phone, 2400 by c.w.

*General Operation:* Use the chart on page 86, May QST for determining times and frequencies for WIAW general contact with any amateur. Note that since the schedule is organized in EDST, the operation between 0000 and 0100 each day will fall in the evening of the previous day in western time zones.

*Code-Proficiency Program:* Practice transmissions at 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 w.p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and at 5, 7½, 10 and 13 w.p.m. on Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday are made on the above-listed frequencies. Code practice starts at 2130 each day. Approximately 10 minutes' practice is given at each speed. On Sept. 17, Sept. 18, and Oct. 16, WIAW will transmit certificate qualifying runs and a frequency measuring test instead of the regular code practice.

## DX CENTURY CLUB AWARDS

W1FH	272	W6DZZ	265	W6TTL	263
W6AM	272	W6SYG	265	G2PL	263
W8HGW	271	W8NBR	265	W5AS	262
W6ENV	270	W3CHD	264	W8KIA	262
W9NDA	269	ZL2GX	264	W3KT	262
W6MX	267	W8HRA	264	W6RW	262
PY2CK	266	W6CUQ	263	W7AMX	262

### Radiotelephone

PY2CK	263	W8CZ	247	W8BF	241
VQ4ERR	256	Z86BW	247	W3JNN	241
W1FH	251	CNMM	246	W6AM	238
W8HGW	251	W9NDA	243	CX2CO	236
		W9RBJ	242		

From June 15, to July 15, 1957 DXCC certificates and endorsements based on postwar contacts with 100-or-more countries have been issued by the ARRL Communications Department to the amateurs listed below.

### NEW MEMBERS

W8VDJ	200	I1ZQ	111	W9OAG	102
VQ2DT	188	W6ZVQ	109	ET2PA	102
Z86LN	159	W4LIT	108	W1WTF	101
W6CLS	148	C2IBV	108	W4USQ	101
CX1CX	138	SM5KB	108	K4BZL	101
W2GDH	136	W5GNG	106	W10QA	100
Z81OU	127	G3HIW	106	W5NKF	100
G3CQS	124	W1GB	105	K8AQP	100
Z81RM	120	G3HRO	105	K6CEF	100
W6PLK	116	W5YPT	104	W9ESD	100
W4YHF	115	W6WHY	103	K9JZT	100
W9YRO	115	OH3OD	103	W9POC	100
GM5RH	112			G2NS	100

### Radiotelephone

W8UAS	195	HK3PC	103	W5JCY	101
VQ2DT	183	W7YAM	102	W7DXD	101
ZP5EC	126	W8JXM	102	I1BEM	101
W1NHL	116	W9YRO	102	VE1DR	101
W9NSN	111	C2IBV	102	K9JZT	100
W5JUE	105	G3HRO	102	W5GNG	100
W6BJU	105	GM3BCL	102	W5NKF	100
F8JRJ	105	I1BFS	102	W6NTO	100
W5RNG	104			Y1IRA	100

### ENDORSEMENTS

W6SAI	260	LUTCD	222	E2ACA	201
W6VFR	260	G3DO	221	SM7QY	201
CNMM	250	W7GXA	220	W2REF	200
W2FT	246	W9QJH	216	W5LGS	200
W5EGK	241	W6WO	203	D17AH	200
W2GT	233	W6LN	202	ON4PA	199
W8DHC	227	W7HIA	202	W2FT	197
W9QVZ	222	W9FNR	201	K2BZT	196

W9VIN	192	EA1BC	158	W4TAJ	130
W21JU	190	PY5UG	158	W5ZCK	130
K6BJQ	190	G2BXP	155	W0VFP	130
W6YND	185	Z86KR	155	ON4TX	130
CT1JS	185	W8UMR	151	K6EC	128
W61QQ	183	KR6SC	151	W4YK	126
W5HDS	182	W6OICN	150	W4FNS	124
V86AE	181	G6XL	150	W9WYB	123
W4IMI	180	ON4KT	147	I1DCO	121
W5VTR	180	EA9AP	144	K2JYH	120
W6QNA	180	W68CQ	141	W4PTH	120
VE7VC	180	W6YMH	141	K6IYJ	120
P9RM	177	G8QX	141	W9ZTD	120
VK3YL	174	SM7AKG	141	GM3BCI	120
HB9QU	172	VK5QR	141	ZD2DCP	120
W4NRV	170	W1WAI	140	K5ADQ	113
W9JUV	170	W6LTH	140	W6VX	113
VO1DX	170	W7GHH	140	W4YPU	111
W6NHA	169	KH6WW	140	W5QVZ	111
W2CTL	162	VE1EX	140	HK3PC	111
W6RBC	161	V56FK	140	V55CP	110
DL1YA	161	W3WSE	139	W2FXA	110
DL3RK	161	VE7AH	136	W2PDB	110
PY7VG	161	W4FYI	135	W3BQA	110
W2FBS	160	DU7SV	134	W3XQ	110
W4JBQ	160	JA1AG	132	W5DNF	110
W9NSN	160	4N4CT	131	W7NRB	110
G6CH	160	W3KFO	130	W8ONA	110
PY4JD	160	W44VY	130	W9MPX	110

### Radiotelephone

W1JCN	230	FSLE	170	EA9AR	135
W8KML	227	PY2JU	170	VE7AH	135
G2PL	224	W4FPS	160	W2PBI	134
W8VDJ	200	W0HJ	160	W2PH	133
EA2CA	200	G2BXP	153	I1KDH	133
YV5EC	190	PY7VG	153	W8HUN	130
W9QLH	189	PY1AGP	152	W3BYL	130
W1FST	180	E1ZW	149	W0QFO	124
W2FT	179	W6CLS	145	W1JXM	112
W4ANE	179	CN3BH	143	W5HRW	110
DL3IR	174	I1GZ	141	YV588	110

### W/VE/VO Call area and Continental Leaders

W2AGW	261	VE3QD	210	VE7GL	224
W4TMM	255	VE4XO	118	VE8AA	191
W0AIW	252	VE5QZ	140	VE6EP	190
VE1HG	164	VE6VK	164	Z86RW	251
VE2WW	192			4X4RE	222

### Radiotelephone

W2HXA	207	W0AIW	231	VE7ZM	178
W4HA	212	VE1CR	122	ZL2GS	227
W5BGP	222	VE2GQ	130	OD5AB	180
W7HIA	189	VE3KF	163	EA2CQ	230
		VE6NX	101		

• All operating amateurs are invited to report to the SCM on the first of each month, covering station activities for the preceding month. Radio Club news is also desired by SCMs for inclusion in these columns. The addresses of all SCMs will be found on page 6.

### ATLANTIC DIVISION

**EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA**—SCM, Clarence Snyder, W3PYE—RM, YAZ, PAM: TEL. EPA, net: 3350, 3610, 3915 and 3997 kc. This will be my last column. Pressure of my work has made it impossible for me to give this job as your SCM the time necessary and your new SCM, Dick Mesirov, JNQ, will succeed me following this month. To all the members of the EPA organization I would like to express my sincerest thanks for the fine cooperation achieved in this section during the past 25 months. To the club secretaries and the club newspaper editors who were kind enough to put me on their mailing lists, I say "thank you." To those of you who have had difficulty in getting correspondence from me, I want to express my apologies. I have been traveling from coast to coast and my time at home has been extremely limited. If nothing else, I think that the cooperation between the c.w. and phone nets has increased to a point where there is no more animosity and many appointees are members of both section nets, making liaison extremely easy. UQJ reports two new stations on 50 Mc. in the York Area: K3AVF and HXB. The Harrisburg Amateur Radio Club's new officers are BQA, pres.; VDA, vice-pres.; RPC, secy.; and ADE, treas. PNL has a new 10-meter ground plane. IM did the artwork for the July issue of Philmont's *Blurb*. KN3ATV is an active member of the Wilkes Barre Post of the Ground Observer Corps with 250 hours to his credit. WJY is operating portable all summer at Lake Harmony. New officers of the Pocono Amateur Radio Club are LLR, vice-pres.; GIV, vice-pres.; KN3KCZ, secy.; and MDO, treas. JNQ tested this reaction to poison ivy during Field Day. The reaction—positive. CUL has a 7-day-per-week sked with the West Coast. She has summer skeds into 31 states daily. IZI has an AT-1 and an HQ-100 into a dipole on the air in the Camp Hill Area. NNT has resigned as Section Emergency Coordinator. Our thanks to Doug for an FB job over the past two years. Again, thank you for your fine cooperation and I hope to meet many of you in the future, either on the air or in person. Traffic: W3CUL 1843, TEL 145, BFF 125, YAZ 27, EPL 24, PYF 23, OGD 22, EPL 21, AXA 17, DJL 14, AMC 12, NQB 10, KN3AFW 6, W3WQL 6, PUY 4, UNQ 4, KFI 3, BNR 2, EMH 2, NF 2.

**MARYLAND-DELAWARE-DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**—SCM, Louis T. Croneberger, W3UCR—SEC: PKC. Section Nets: MDD 3650 kc. M-S 1915 EDT, MEPN 3820 kc. MWF 1830 SS 1300 EDT. New appointments: DQZ, Asst. SCM for Delaware; DXA, EC Baltimore County. The Foundation of Federated Radio Clubs was formed in Washington to be a perpetual organization with the 1958 ARRL National Convention the first task. New officers of the BARCS are PKC, pres.; MAZ, vice-pres.; BKT, secy.; and YZI, treas. The Kent County Amateur Radio Club elected WN3HZH, pres.; SPL, vice-pres.; ENN, secy.; and ZNF, treas. The Takoma Amateur Radio Club's new officers are TXC, pres.; SSB, vice-pres.; UYC, secy.—treas. The Arco ARC took to the West Virginia hills for the V.H.F. Contest, as did NLRARC and the National Capital V.H.F. Society. KLA advises that all those who worked PGA/8 will be sent a special QSL on request. YHI was guest speaker of the National V.H.F. Society on June 28 and he spoke on v.h.f. s.s.b. Jack is headed for DL-Land soon and s.s.b. on 144 Mc. is new over there. Field Day indications are that the MDD clubs were out in force. The RCARA had 10 operating positions at the Gaithersburg Fair Grounds. The OMN-designed 4-over-4 on 10 meters gave a good accounting of itself. The CSRC, operating from White Oak, worked Plymouth, Mass., on 2 meters using a Communicator and an eight-element beam. AARC, AFM, operated at the Pimlico

Airfield. The furthest message (FD) was received from JHV/2, Scotch Plains, N. J. EAW, only 17, received first prize at the Baltimore Science Fair, earning a trip to the Fair held at San Francisco. 4EKO/3, Havre de Grace, now is in basic training at Ft. Knox and hopes to be a station at APG upon completion. SRV1, one of the jr. operators at WV, is operating on the Great Lakes for the season while working as a radio officer. CDQ is traveling in EA2-, EA5-, EA6-, 11- and HB9-Land. VOS has moved the two-element 15-meter beam to the place of the three-element 20-meter beam that has done so well in recent contests. BUD is building a new home in St. Mary's County. TOM has left the Elkton Area for the West Coast. OJU now has 48 on 6 meters. KMY regularly skeds BQJ and BWU in Pittsburgh on 6 meters. GNQ sold the DX-100 and is joining the s.s.b. gang with a 20A. EHJ, operating on 2 meters from his summer place in lower St. Mary's County, worked AAY, VNF and UCR for his first contact with a beam (eight elements) only 10 feet off the ground and the Communicator operating in the car. IPO has moved into a new home in Riverdale and now has a 73-meter antenna, plus a two-element 10 over a two-element 15 in place. KDY is the new secretary of the MEPN. JNF is mobile on 6 meters. KN3ANF received his ticket in Baltimore and is operating 80- and 40-meter c.w. until the General Class license is earned. OTC added N.D. for 41 on 6 meters. W3JJE is moving to Buffalo, N. Y. A new Baltimore net on 6 meters is the Peach Basket Net, which meets on 50.25 Mc. at 2000 Wed. and 1000 Sun. 4CIZ is winner of the Gonset 6-meter Linear and CXG and ALP tied for first mobiles at the MEPN picnic. Traffic: W3UE 303, TN 149, WV 140, PZW 115, PQ 105, K3WBJ 86, W3ECG 85, RV 65, UCR 48, AHQ 36, EAP 18, BUD 4, OYX 4.

**SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY**—SCM, Herbert C. Brooks, K2BG—SEC: YRW, PAM: ZI. Field Day was a big success throughout the section, with a big increase in AREC-RACES operators participating. Field Day messages were received from Hamilton Twp. Radio Assn., DVRA, SJRA, Salem County Radio Club and IQ/2 in Moorestown. The Burlington Co. Radio Club also took part from the QTH of GOK. Sorry to hear that K2PTJ has had extensive damage to his tower and beam. Fred is OPS and OBS. The Jersey Phone and Traffic Net held its 2nd annual picnic at "Wireless Hill." RG has been appointed to represent New Jersey in the Region 1 C.D. Net. K2SOL, recently appointed OPS, is NC Tue. night on the J.I. Phone Net. The Maple Shade C.D. Headquarters has a roster of ten operators, headed by KHW. The SJRA meets the 1st Thurs. in the Erlton Fire Hall. Gil Crossley, Atlantic Division Director, was the guest of SJRA at its June meeting. K2KTS is doing a fine job at the Delaware Twp. High School helping prospective operators get their licenses. PAU has written a fine article to help hidden transmitter hunters, Burlington Co. Dar, a very active "hams" family in K2VIX Helen, KN2VY Pat and their dad, KN2VDW. The Southern Co. Amateur Radio Assn. meets at the Atlantic City Naval Air Station. YRW is vacationing in Cape May Co. K2CPR is heard again this year from FP8AA, St. Pierre Island. OUY, Erlton, is ex-8RUM, 4FIQ and VPTNX. W2KHW, K2KPF and K2BG attended the Mercer Co. C.D. meeting in June. W2HX is Radio Officer for the C.E. Traffic: W2HDW 149, K2MUE 131, JGU 86, W2RG 54, ZI 33, K2SOL 26, PGC 20, W2BZJ 14, K2HPV 1.

**WESTERN NEW YORK**—SCM, Charles T. Hansen, K2HUK—SEC: UTH/FRL, RMs: RUF and ZRC. PAMs: TEP and NAL. NYS CW meets on 3615 kc. at 1800. ESS on 3590 kc. at 1800. NYS Phone on 3925 kc. at 1800. PAR on 3570 kc. at 1700. NYS C.D. on 3509.5 and 3993 kc. at 0900 Sun., TCPN 2nd Call VYI on 3970 kc. at 1900. SRPN on 3980 kc. at 1000. LSN on 3970 kc. at 1600. Erie County really came alive on 2 meters after forty Gonset Communicators were passed around to the gang in civil defense. At least ninety stations have crystals for the calling frequency at 145.410 Mc. and the frequency is almost continuously monitored. K2HUK has a fifteen-element beam on 2 meters and is looking for contacts. K2DXV has a new receiver and a 40-meter Zepp. He worked 43 countries in June. UTH spent his vacation with 9HDV. K2s SZT and TLP lost the big "N." EMW is building a new receiver with better selectivity to pick out the rare DX. K2LJU is building a 2E2B rig for 2 meters, also a ten-

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## Let's Look at Transistors

**T**RANSISTORS have been with us for quite a few years, but it is only recently that amateur equipment employing them has begun to appear. It would be difficult to name any other device of comparable value which has taken so long to become established in the amateur field. As a rule the amateurs pioneer with every new gadget which comes along, but Transistors have been largely left to government military applications and the hearing-aid people.

**T**HERE is good reason for some of this delay because earlier Transistors would not operate on amateur R.F. frequencies. Then, too, their cost was prohibitive. Today, this situation is changing rapidly. It is now possible to purchase Transistors effective up to 30 megacycles which are moderately priced. This fall we can expect to see a number of completely transistorized units and they will be every bit as elaborate as any communications receiver now on the market.

**A** FEW amateurs have been experimenting with Transistors in fairly simple circuits for some time, but we can look for a big increase in this activity as Transistors become more generally understood. It is necessary to keep in mind that the Transistor is not a direct replacement for the vacuum tube since the vacuum tube is a high impedance, voltage amplifying device, whereas the Transistor is current operated and has a low impedance input circuit. In redesigning vacuum tube circuits to operate with Transistors the input impedance must be kept low.

**E**LSEWHERE in this issue you will find an announcement of some new Hallicrafters FPM equipment. By employing Transistors properly it has been possible to keep the size and weight to a minimum while maintaining a very high standard of performance.

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## W/VE Contest

September 28-29

It's going to be Canada vs. U. S. A. again in this on-the-air funfest which comes about annually via the good graces of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club. W/K amateurs will swap contest exchanges with Canadians in all the provinces and territories, while the VE/VO contingent goes after U. S. A. hamdom with no holds barred. Call CQ W or CQ VE, depending on whether you're north or south of the border. When contact results, send this information: a QSO serial number, your call, an RST report, your ARRL Section. Obtain the same data from the station worked and then move on for more contacts.

Gordy Webster, VE2BB, MARC Contest Chairman, advises that the Contest Committee is ready and eager to be deluged by logs. Activity from Prince Edward Island — that rare nugget required for WAVE — is anticipated. And what better time to meet new friends across the border and give the equipment a dry run before the SS and other fall activities. Look over the simple rules below and get set for a week end loaded with operating fun.

### Rules

1) Any single-operator station located in the ARRL Sections as listed on page 6 is eligible to participate.

2) All contacts must be made during the contest period from 6:00 P.M. EST, Sept. 28 to 11:59 P.M. EST, Sept. 29, with a total of no more than 20 hours operating time for each entry. Times on and off the air must be clearly shown in the contest log.

3) Messages containing the following information must be exchanged and be fully recorded in the contest log: (1) number of contact, (2) your call, (3) RST report, (4) ARRL Section. Example: NR 1 W1ZZZ 579 Vermont.

4) Scoring: Count one point for each exchange sent and acknowledged, and one point for each exchange received. A station may be worked once on c.w. and once on phone in each band. VE/VO stations will multiply their total points by the number of U. S. A. ARRL Sections worked, and by the appropriate power multiplier listed below. W/K stations will multiply their total points by the number of Canadian areas (maximum of nine; VE through 18 plus VO), then by 7.22 (65 U. S. A. Sections, 9 Canadian), then by the appropriate power multiplier, and then by a 2.5 provisional multiplier (based on the ratio of W/K to VE/VO logs received last year). All stations using power inputs of 30 watts or less will receive a power multiplier of 2, and stations using from 30 to 100 watts will receive one of 1.5.

5) Multioperator stations are not eligible to compete.

6) Each entry must be accompanied by the following declaration: "I hereby state that my station was operated strictly in accordance with the rules of the contest and governmental radio regulations, and I agree that the decision of the Contest Committee of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club, Inc., shall be final in all cases of dispute."

7) All entries, postmarked no later than midnight, October 13, 1957, are to be sent to Gordy Webster, VE2BB, Contest Chairman, 69 Pine Beach Blvd., Dorval, Quebec, Canada. Entries become the property of the Montreal Amateur Radio Club.

### FEEDBACK

In the article on the Alert Alarm in the August issue, an error appears in the circuit diagram of Fig. 1, page 19. The arm of  $R_2$  should be connected to the bottom end of  $R_1$  instead of to the switch. The stationary contact of  $S_1$  should then be connected to the top end of  $R_2$ .

## V.H.F. QSO Party

September 21-22

The month of September marks open season for v.h.f. contacts in another ARRL V.H.F. QSO Party, scheduled from 2:00 P.M. local standard time Saturday, September 21, until 11:00 P.M. local standard time Sunday, September 22. All amateurs able to work any band or bands above 50 Mc. are invited to try out new antennas and equipment and make new v.h.f. acquaintances in the contest.

Call "CQ V.H.F. QSO Party" or "CQ Contest" to raise under participants, and then exchange names of ARRL Sections (as shown on page 6). Rules 4 and 5 explain details on how to figure your score.

A certificate will be awarded to the top scorer in each ARRL Section, and special certificate recognition will also go to Novice, Technician, and multioperator stations (see rule 7).

After the contest, send a copy of your log, in the form shown on page 48 of last June QST, to ARRL, or write now for free log forms, available upon request.

### Rules

1) The contest starts at 2:00 P.M. Local Standard Time, Saturday, September 21, and ends at 11:00 P.M. Local Standard Time, Sunday, September 22. All claimed contacts must fall within this period and must be on authorized amateur frequencies above 50 Mc., using permitted modes of operation.

2) Name-of-section exchanges must be acknowledged by both operators before either may claim contact point(s). A one-way exchange, confirmed, does not count; there is no fractional breakdown of the 1-, 2- or 3-point units.

3) Fixed-, portable- or mobile-station operation under one call, from one location only, is permitted. A transmitter used to contact one or more stations may not be used subsequently under more than one other call during the contest period.

4) Scoring: 1 point for completed two-way section exchanges on 50 or 144 Mc.; 2 points for such exchanges on 220 or 420 Mc.; 3 points for such exchanges on the higher v.h.f. bands. The sum of these points will be multiplied by the number of different ARRL sections worked per band; i.e., those with which at least one point has been earned. Reworking sections on additional bands for extra section credits is permitted. Cross-band work does not count. Contacts with aircraft mobile stations cannot be counted for section multipliers.

5) A contact per band may be counted for each station worked. Example: W2TBD (S.N.J.) works W1PHR (Conn.) on 50, 144 and 220 Mc. for complete exchanges. This gives W2TBD 4 points (1 + 1 + 2) and also 3 section-multiplier credits. (If W2TBD contacts other Connecticut stations on these bands, they do not add to his section multiplier but they do pay off in additional contact points.)

6) Each section multiplier requires completed exchanges with at least one station. The same section can provide another multiplier point only when contacted on a new v.h.f. band.

7) Awards: A certificate will be awarded to the high-scoring single-operator station in each ARRL section. In addition, the high-scoring multiple-operator station will receive a certificate in each section from which three or more valid multiple-operator entries are received. Certificates will also be given to the top Novice and Technician in each section where three or more such licensees submit logs. Award Committee decisions will be final.

8) Reports must be postmarked no later than October 9, 1957, to be eligible for awards. See the sample log on page 48, last June QST for correct form, or a message to Headquarters will bring printed blanks for your convenience.

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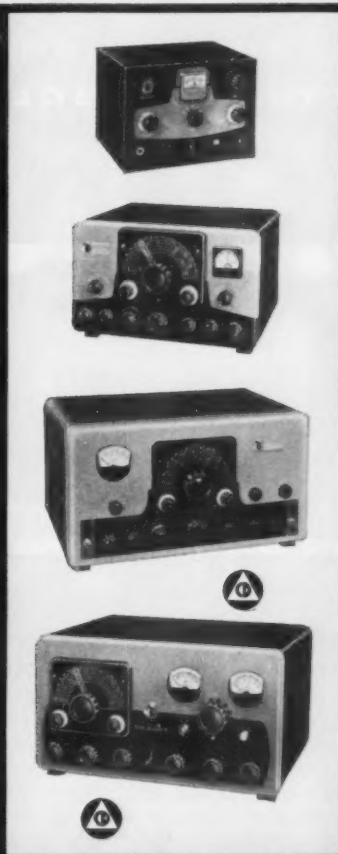
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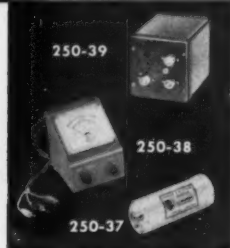
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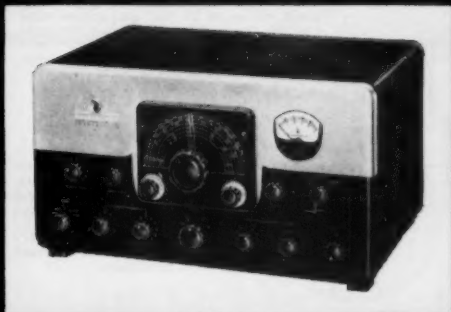
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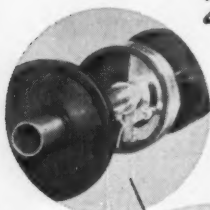
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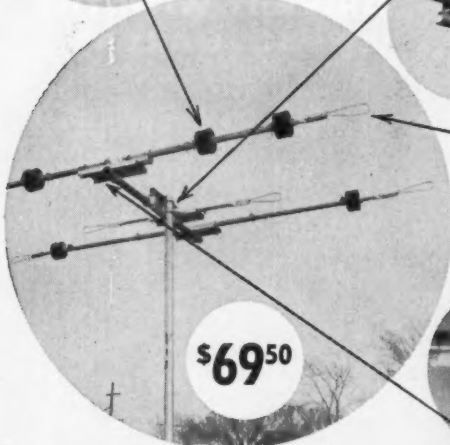
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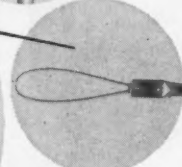
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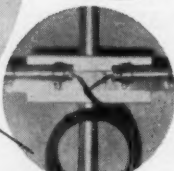
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This transmitter features a 6146 final amplifier to provide 65 watt plate power input on CW, with controlled-carrier modulation peaks up to 50 watts on phone. Modulator and power supplies are built in, and the rig covers 80, 40, 20, 15, 11 and 10 meters with a single band-change switch. Pi network output coupling provides for matching various antenna impedances. Employs 12BY7 oscillator, 12BY7 buffer and 6146 final. Speech amplifier is a 12AX7, and a 12AU7 is employed as modulator. Panel control provides switch selection of three different crystals, reached through access door at rear. Panel meter indicates final grid current or final plate current. A perfect low-power transmitter both for the novice or the more experienced amateur. A remarkable power package for the price. The price includes tubes, and all other parts necessary for construction. Comprehensive instruction manual insures successful assembly.



MODEL DX-35

**\$56<sup>95</sup>**

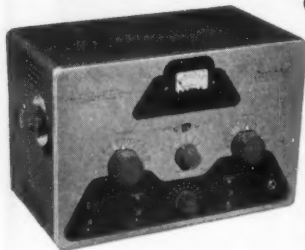
Shpg. Wt.  
24 Lbs.

\$5.70 dwn., \$4.78 mo.

- ▶ Phone or CW—80 through 10 meters.
- ▶ 65 watts CW—50 watts peak on phone—6146 final amplifier.
- ▶ Pi network output to match various antenna impedances.
- ▶ Tremendous dollar value—easy to build.

BRAND NEW

## HEATHKIT **DX-20** CW TRANSMITTER KIT



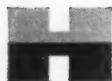
MODEL DX-20

**\$35<sup>95</sup>**

\$3.60 dwn., \$3.02 mo.  
Shpg. Wt. 18 Lbs.

- ▶ Designed exclusively for CW work.
- ▶ 50 watts plate power input—80 through 10 meters.
- ▶ Pi network output circuit to match various antenna impedances.
- ▶ Attractive and functional styling—easy to build.

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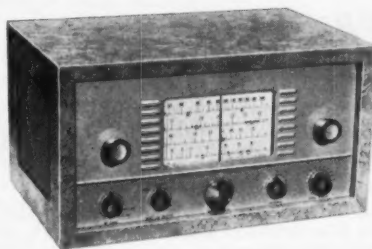
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### COMMUNICATIONS-TYPE, ALL BAND

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MODEL AR-3

**\$29<sup>95</sup>**

incl. excise tax  
(less cabinet)

\$3.00 dwn., \$2.52 mo.

Shpg. Wt. 12 Lbs.

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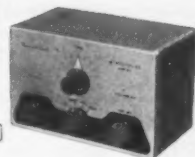
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**TYPE OF BEAM.** All Gotham beams are of the full half-wave plumber's delight type; i.e., all metal and grounded at the center. No wood, tuning stubs, baluns, coils, or any other devices are used.

## MORE DX CONTACTS

**GAIN.** Gotham beams give the maximum gain obtainable. Our 2-element beams give a power gain of four (equivalent to 6 db.); our 3-element beams give a power gain of seven (8.1 db.); and our 4-element beams give a power gain of nine (9.6 db.)

## THE DESIGN IS PROVEN

**FRONT-TO-BACK RATIO.** We guarantee a minimum F/B Ratio of 19 db. for any of our 2-element beams; 29 db. for any of our 3-element beams; 35 db. for 4-element beams.

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## CONSISTENT PERFORMANCE

**MAST.** Any Gotham beam can be mounted on a simple pipe mast. Diameter of the pipe should be between  $\frac{3}{4}$ " and  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ".

## YOU WILL WORK THE WORLD

**STANDARD AND DELUXE BEAMS.** Standard beams in the 6, 10 and 15 meter bands use  $\frac{3}{4}$ " and  $\frac{1}{2}$ " tubing elements; the deluxe models for these bands use  $\frac{1}{2}$ " and  $1\frac{1}{2}$ ". In 20 meter beams, the standard has a single boom, while the deluxe uses twin booms.

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6-10-15 TRIBANDER.....\$39.95  
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## TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

S.W.R. On Each Band 1:1  
Total Number of Elements 3  
Diameter of Elements  $\frac{3}{4}$ " &  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "  
Number of Booms 2  
Diameter of Booms  $1\frac{1}{2}$ "  
Boom Length 12'

### 6-10-15 Tribander

GAIN	F/B RATIO
6.5db on 6 mtrs	23db on 6 mtrs
7.8db on 10 mtrs	27db on 10 mtrs
6.5db on 15 mtrs	23db on 15 mtrs

### 10-15-20 Tribander

GAIN	F/B RATIO
6.5db on 10 mtrs	23db on 10 mtrs
7.8db on 15 mtrs	27db on 15 mtrs
6.5db on 20 mtrs	23db on 20 mtrs

You could work KC4USA in the Antarctica with only 90 watts on 15 meters, as W4SK did.

You could work over 100 countries with a three element 10 meter beam, and be a top man on the frequency, like WpDEI.

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### 6 METER BEAMS

<input type="checkbox"/> Std. 2-El Gamma match	12.95	<input type="checkbox"/> T match 14.95
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### 10 METER BEAMS

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### 15 METER BEAMS

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<input type="checkbox"/> Std. 3-El Gamma match	26.95	<input type="checkbox"/> T match 29.95
<input type="checkbox"/> Deluxe 3-El Gamma match	36.95	<input type="checkbox"/> T match 39.95

### 20 METER BEAMS

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<input type="checkbox"/> Std. 3-El Gamma match	34.95	<input type="checkbox"/> T match 37.95
<input type="checkbox"/> Deluxe 3-El Gamma match	46.95	<input type="checkbox"/> T match 49.95

(Note: Gamma-match beams use 52 or 72 ohm coax.

T-match beams use 300 ohm line.)

### NEW! RUGGEDIZED HI-GAIN 6, 10, 15 METER BEAMS

Each has a TWIN boom, extra heavy beam mount castings, extra hardware and everything needed. Guaranteed high gain, simple installation and all-weather resistant. For 52, 72 or 300 ohm transmission line. Specify which transmission line you will use.

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# Quist Quiz

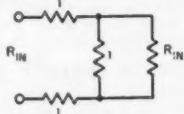
If you have been batting 1.000 in the Quist league, here's a real test of your ability, submitted by Mark Moynahan, W2ALJ:

You are given four unmarked resistors, one marked precision resistor, a battery of known polarity and a zero-center milliammeter. All but one of the unmarked resistors have the same value as the precision resistor. This one unmarked resistor may have a higher or lower resistance than the precision resistor, or it may have the same value. Using the equipment at hand, you are allowed two measurements to determine which one, if any, of the resistors is different than the precision resistor and, if so, whether it is higher or lower than the rest. A measurement is defined as connecting the components as you choose and noting the reading of the meter.

(If you work this out in less than an hour or so, you are invited to expand the problem to one

involving 13 unmarked resistors, one precision resistor, the battery and milliammeter and three measurements.)

Last month's problem boils down to this equiv-



alent circuit. Solving for  $R_{in}$ ,

$$R_{in} = 1 + 1 + \frac{(1)(R_{in})}{1 + R_{in}}$$

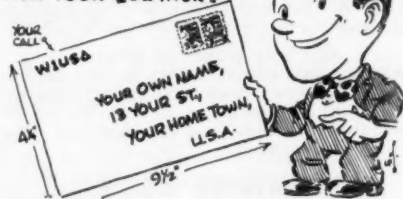
$$R_{in}^2 - 2R_{in} - 2 = 0$$

$$R_{in} = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 + 8}}{2} = \frac{2 + 2\sqrt{3}}{2} = 2.732 \text{ ohms}$$

## A.R.R.L. QSL BUREAU

The function of the ARRL QSL Bureau system is to facilitate delivery to amateurs in the United States, its possessions, and Canada of those QSL cards which arrive from amateur stations in other parts of the world. Its operation is made possible by volunteer managers in each W, K and VE call area. All you have to do is send your QSL manager (see list below) a stamped self-addressed envelope about 4½ by 9½ inches in size, with your name and address in the usual place on the front of the envelope and your call printed in capital letters in the upper left-hand corner.

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## Strays

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## Station Activities

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element beam. K2PVN is building an 820B rig for 2 meters. BQF has a 10B and is going s.s.b. K2s KDT and GUG finished an 813 linear just in time for Field Day at W2PE. The Syracuse V.H.F. Club really went all out in the V.H.F. QSO Party. VE3FT/W2 is on RTTY, 2, 15, 20 and 40 meters. SSC, BLP, K2CUQ and QYT all qualified for Class I Observer in the May F.M.I. in that order. 5IWH/2, 5ZER/2, K2IXN, K2VAT, JHK, N2ZB, ASP, GVL, K2OAZ, MSJ and SWN, from the Rome RC provided communications for the local Loyalty Day Parade. BKC is building a new 4-250A final now that he's off the sick list. YTY has a 6-meter beam. K2OAR is working on a d.s.b. rig. K2KIJ edits a nice paper called *QRM* for the Corning ARA. YGW is building a new final for s.s.b. and c.w. using p.p. HK-354Es. REA got a 75A-4 and an HT-30. QWF has a Valiant kit. Quite a gang turned out for the Lockport V.H.F. "do." Lighthouse Larry was the main speaker and ZOC was the host. All gave a talk on 432 Mc. and also displayed some 432-Mc. gear to the Rochester v.h.f. group. ELX was elected chairman, CTA, vice-chairman, and K2HIT, secy. at the same meeting. DPV is building a new rig with 6 and 2 meters. The Rochester DX Assn. elected QJM, chairman; MG, asst. chairman; and TQR, secy.-treas. AFQ is building a GG final. REF now has 200 countries confirmed on c.w. SAW worked 3 new ones for a total of 214. K2HWI has been appointed OES. RJY is back in business on 10 and 2 meters after some of the gang had an "antenna party." Traffic: (June) K2DXV 277, YYP 161, GGU 32, GWN 10, JU 11, HUK 10, W2RQF 7, EMW 4, (May) K2KNV 138.

**WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA**—SCM, John F. Wojtkiewicz, W3GJY—SEC: OMA, RMs: UHN, NUG, GEG, NRE, PAMs: AER, TOC. The WPA Tlc. Net operates daily except Sat. and Sun. on 3585 kc. at 7 p.m. ORS appointees are urged to check in whenever possible. HGT passed his "General." EGS has done Army khaki. DAB is wearing "civies" after a tour of duty in the Navy. BEX is QRL getting Novices on the air. EPM is now "beaming" his signal. JIZ runs 100 watts. CUI and EGI are QRL on 6 meters. ERJ, his XYL, ERK, and their harmonic, GCB, issue a nice certificate for working the "Saddler" family on 50 Mc. Several members of the Western Penna. DX Soc. namely, BSF, OEW, CNX and RTB, along with KP4IO, were ready to embark on a journey to KC4-Land when the Haitian uprising put a QRT to their plans. RSB is on 75, 40 and 10 meters with the new antennas. OEZ is back on the air after an operation and hospitalization. LSS is QRL with various CD nets. UHN carries on with the WPA Tlc. Net. KUN is now comfortably situated at his new QTH in Emporium. W2QZ, the section top trafficker, reports. We welcome KL7CBN (located at Cornopolis) to the section. He is now active on 20 and 75 meters and MARS nets. NRR and WGS have new QTHs. The Etna Radio Club took part in its first Field Day activity using the club call, EXW. PWN works 6 meters. ERJ reports that a Tornado Alert was sounded by c.d. officials in Wilkensburg July 24 and the following were "standing by" on 50.4 Mc. although not needed: ERJ, ERK, GCB, GXL, BQG and EBH. RACES and AREC members are a useful asset to their country, their community and to their chosen hobby, ham radio. OMA, our SEC, reports that reorganization within the AREC field in the section is about completed. It is suggested that you contact OMA if you are not registered in the AREC at the earliest possible date. UJP, the Breeze Shooters secretary, reports "BSN" was the only club to turn out en masse for the 11-meter contest held June 8-9 with the following stations taking part: OPF, HME, LKZ, LOR, SIW, PII, LWT, JT, KTW, CJP, ZDR, YLT, EUL, SJP, ZWZ, AZO, NYS and DZP. PII was top scorer for the freans and UJP garnered six new stations. Newly-elected officers of the Erie Radio Club are BFB, pres.; JTF, vice-pres.; BFB, secy.; and JOQ, treas. The ERC was well represented during the past Field Day activity with operation on 80 through 2 meters. NMP received two SWL cards from JA, KA-Land, which pleased him no end. TOC's DX-100 broke down. BZR reports Field Day was enjoyed by all concerned with the Corning Radio Club. YA says things are at a standstill at his QTH. Are you taking advantage of traffic-handling as well as other various phases of activities offered by our common hobby? Ham radio is not only useful as a means for personal pleasure but much can also be accomplished by serving the general public by being an appointee in one of the many fields available. Traffic: (June) W3W1Q 2174, BZR 67, GJY 34, YA 17, LSS 7, SWV 2, UHN 2, (May) W3LSS 17.

## CENTRAL DIVISION

**ILLINOIS**—SCM, George T. Schreiber, W9YIX—

Asst. SCM: Grace V. Ryden, 9GME. SEC: HOA, RM: MAK, Asst. RM: K9JH. Cook County EC: HPG. Section nets: ILN, 3515 kc. Mon. through Sat. 7 p.m.; IEN, 3940 kc. Field Day apparently was a great success in the section. We received more messages this year than ever before. There were 27 confirmed, not including three on which we could not read the call letters. Confirmed are (all portable) AB, AML, AW, AVE, BNH, K9BPK BSA, CAF, ERC, EXL, GDF, GNA, GXU, MAK, NZ, OEY, OFR, OJI, OUS, QFH, RK, SW, UKY, UPN, UVI, VT and ZAB. BFL certificated go to Route Manager MAK and DO. ILN had 25 sessions in June with 268 messages cleared. CSW reports the North Central Phone Net handled 370. UQT, former director, who has been ill, is back on his feet again. Wonder why no one bothers to report the traffic for IEN, or even give us the time of the sessions. Deepest sympathy to SHT, Mt. Pulaski, who lost his nine-year-old son. The St. Clair Amateur Radio Club moved into its new clubroom at the civil defense center, reports BA. A new call heard in the section is K9EYL, of Rockford, who already is chasing the rare ones, right behind NN. New calls in the Bloomington Area are KN9s IMX, IKH, IKG, IKK, IKN, IBJ, ILP and ILM, and K9H9Y. SXL now is McLean's Sunny Radio Office. LNQ, the editor of *Ham Gab*, spends his "spare time" chasing DX, with ten more to confirm for DXCC. Official Observer GDI went fishing, of all things, instead of giving his new three-band quad a good workout. LI has been on the sick list, but now is reported well enough to get back on the air. He was missed. SKD reports a slump on 15 meters. The Chicago Labor Assistant Route Manager, is a railroad telegrapher for a living and has the following hobbies: tropical fish, motorcycles and repairing two "jalopies." He's trying to recruit stations for the c.w. net in the southern part of the section. K9AXS now has her General Class license. The new chief operator at K9USA, Great Lakes, is GUL, who is planning a new antenna. The AR and Regional Net is partly held together with an excellent news letter, edited by 4KKW, which keeps the members informed of the latest. A new radio club in the section in the Alton Senior High School Radio Club, sponsored by ONU. Officers, reports HIX, are HIM and K9HJC. The station is well equipped. Well, by the time you read this you all should have ordered your reservations for the National Convention in Chicago. Labor Day week end. If you have not, General Manager QKE says you had better rush then in. See you there. Traffic: (June) W9MAK 760, DO 712, K9USN 347, GJR 331, W9IDA 274, PCQ 124, FAW 109, JZK 95, YYG 64, YIX 34, SXX 28, VBV 22, CTZ 19, BA 11, K9AMD 8, W9SKR 4, (May) W9BYG 409, OYL 51.

**INDIANA**—SCM, Seth Lew, B3C. WONTA—Asst. SCM, George H. Graue, 9BJK. SEC: QYQ, RMs: DGA, TQC and TT. PAMs: CMT, KOY, SWD and UXK. New appointments: AYD and HTF as OOs. Field Day messages were received from AB/9, PQZ, DUK/9, DKR/9, ZSK/9, REG/9, WLY/9, JP/9, LJ/9, ONB/9, EEO/9, LIT/9, K9AVO, CQA, GQP and BJU. Field Day activity in the State was at an all-time high. The After-The-Net Net picnic held at the home of WHL and his XYL at Bedford was a fine one with about 60 present. Carole, K9AMD, the NCS, received several gifts, among them a copy of Riley's poems. Those making BPL were JYO and NZZ, who reports Arctic signals very poor lately. New calls: KN9IQI, the son of DZC, at Greenfield; KN9IUR at South Bend; KN9IKL at Kokomo and K9ISD at Rochester. K9IEU, IEW and HVS are new Tech. Class licensees in Marion. Look for them on 6 meters. CYC is back on 20-meter phone and 40-meter c.w. FYM is using a WE 701-A in the final at 350 watts. K9CFG reports the North Central Indiana 6-Meter Net, which meets on 50.5 Mc. at 2030 EST Mon. and Fri., handled 5 messages in June. SWD reports IFN Evening traffic as 187 and morning as 351. QIN, as reported by TOC, had 246 and TT gives RFN as 79. EHJ lists CAEN traffic as 70 and KOY reports the Interstate S.S.B. Net handled 481. We have a serious problem in the State which is getting worse and unless everyone will cooperate it will get entirely out of hand. That is the case of the unmodulated carrier. Carriers are thrown on not only on our nets but can be heard anytime of the day or night. This is a plea for more care in operating. You will be doing yourself a favor also by more careful listening and, above all, always identify your station. K9AQM has a new Gonset two-element 15-meter short beam on a 50-ft. pole and DX is coming in nicely on the high end of 15 meters. He is WAC on 15-meter s.s.b. running 65 watts. KN9GSV is a new call with a DX-20 and an AR-3. Don't forget to fill in your AREC application blank and send it to either your County EC or QYQ, our SEC. Traffic: (June) W9JOZ 414, K9BBO 408, W9JOY 301, TT 296, EQO 257, NZZ 251, EHJ 170, DHJ 146, KOY 146, ZYK 145.

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Mary Burke, W3CUL, 1956 Edison Award winner, is honored at the banquet ceremony held February 28, 1957, at Washington's Mayflower Hotel, with Rear Admiral H. C. Bruton, chief of naval communications, the principal speaker. Left to right: Admiral Bruton, Mrs. Burke, and L. B. Davis, general manager of the G-E electronic components division. (Official U. S. Navy photograph)

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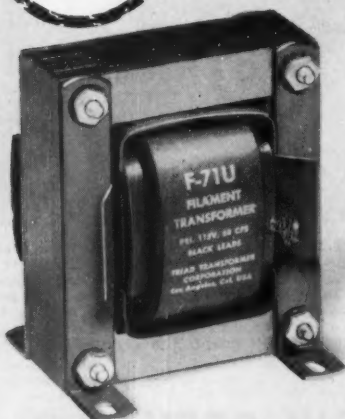
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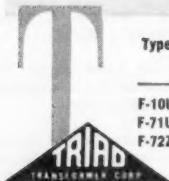
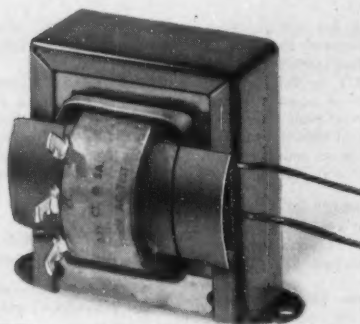
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**WISCONSIN**—SCM, George Wolda, W9KQB—SEC: EIZ, PAMs: NRP and AJU, RMs: KJ and K9AEQ. Nets: WTN, 3535 ke, 7 p.m. CDT daily; BEN, 3950 ke, 6 p.m. CDT daily. New officers of the Oshkosh Amateur Radio Club include DQE, pres.; KKK, vice-pres.; IDTM/9, secy.-treas.; ELY, chairman of the executive board. High activity prevails as the club's real fine bulletin, the *QRMer*, indicates. The MRAC was busy with its mobile unit in the Armed Forces Day Parade in Milwaukee and in furnishing communications on the same day for the sports car races at Williams Bay. EIZ made contact with NSS, AIR and WAR on Armed Forces Day. The Manocod Club has a new RME-4300 and holds net meetings Sun. at 11 a.m. on 3965 ke. VHA, Marathon County EC, held a real emergency drill when 20 stations furnished all communications for the sports car climb of Rib Mt. when the sound-powered phone system failed to operate. CCO is the proud Daddy of a baby daughter born while he was on duty aboard the U.S.S. *Kidd* in the Pacific. Look for Butch as /6 in September. MYU desires word from anyone who was radio operator in the CCC back in '41. NRP is busy fixing rigs for other operators. K9GDF now is an RCC member and has a 25-w.p.m. sticker. There is a new Novice net on 7132 ke. EIZ, PAM, PJT made WAS and skeels his brother, KN9JOS. New in Manitowish: K9UDZ, KN9HXI, KN9AIZ. In Lake Mills: KN9IAY. In Eau Claire: KN9IBH. IZD is making room in the shack for new 2- and 6-meter s.s.b. gear. GXD has a new G66 and HPC a new Valiant. JAW's 50-watter aboard his good ship *Wilkins* sounds like a good water ground pays off. SZR is over the 100 mark with DX worked. KN9IBB is on with a Viking II and a 75A-3. KZZ is real satisfied with his new SX-101. Check with EIZ for an EC appointment. Most western counties are without an EC. Traffic: (June) W9CXY 615, KQB 109, KJJ 60, K9AEQ 59, W9OT 11, PJT 6, RTP 3, FZC 4. (May) W9KJJ 89, FZC 15, K9HBT 13, W9SQM 12, JEF 10, SZZ 3.

## DAKOTA DIVISION

**NORTH DAKOTA**—SCM, Elmer J. Gabel, W8KTX —I met the following North Dakota boys at the St. Paul Convention: FVG, GNS, HVA, K8CNC, CMX and GRM. ILO, the Fargo Club station, reports a successful Field Day week and making 160 contacts. Operators and visitors included UTT, chief op., JNP, WIA, NGL, K8DXT, CXJ, KN9ICS and ICT, K8ATK spent three weeks at home in Michigan and returned via South Dakota with a new Johnson 500. K8CNC is building a 2E28 rig for 6 meters. K8CMX has a new HQ-110. K8CNC's July QST listing should have been in the I-operator column; our error. Traffic: K8CNC 71, W8NFR 18.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**—SCM, Les Price, W8FLP—Asst. SCM: Gerald F. Lee, 6YKY. SCM assistants: HOH, FKE, APL, GQH, NEO, TI, MZU and GDE. SECs: YOB and GDE. PAM: ULU. RM: SMV. The 75-Meter S.D. Phone Net had 27 sessions with OH 3 (resigned), GQH 3, SCT 19, EXX 1 (fill-in); OH 468, high 31, low 7, average 17.3; traffic 32, high 6, low 0 (14 times), average 1.15; informals 54, high 8, low 0 (twice), average 2. The S.D. 40-Meter Net had 25 sessions with FEJ (QHX operator) 4, YKY 5, EXX 9, SCT 1, LXP 6; QNI 285, high 21, low 6, average 11.4; traffic 67, high 8, low 0 (6 times), average 2.6; informals 30, high 4, low 0 (8 times), average 1.2. The Signal Hill Amateur Radio Club met at the home of CTD June 3. Our Field Day station was set up on Strawberry Hill. We made 40 contacts during the short time we were on. KJZ, was the guest operator and her OM, Cliff, arrived late in the afternoon. We had 15 or more licensed operators plus several others. We operated one club station under 30 watts for the 3-power multiplier. Redfield reports good success and ascribed to the 150-watt power limit raise, permitting full output of that Viking II used. The new EME club (Ipswich, etc.) reports being on from 3 p.m. to 7 a.m. with two transmitters on some part of a member's farm. The call used was K8JOK. OLB, formerly of Glenham, visited Selby and other parts on June 16. K8ASQ visited DVB and FLP in mid-June. CAS packed up the last day of June to go to Custer and continue building on his retirement home there. Error: The 2 children I reported as being at K8JAW last month should have been listed as being at K8GGB. Traffic: W8SCT 228, SIR 24, FLP 10, AIE 4, OFP 4.

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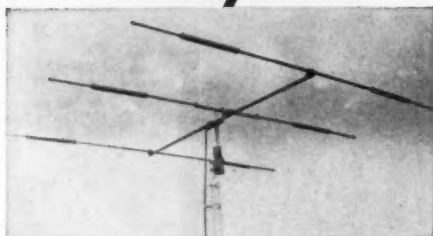
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**MINNESOTA**—SCM, Robert M. Nelson, W0RLG—Asst. SCM: Robert W. Schoening, #TKA SEC; WVO, BME; DQL and RQJ. PAMs: JE and LEX. Two new leadership appointments were made this month. Our new SEC is WVO, who is one of the mainstays on the Evening Phone Net and who took a very active part in the Emergency Net a few months ago. He replaces GTX, who resigned because of a too crowded schedule of activities, including RACES and MARS nets. The AREC organization has grown considerably during GTX's term. Let's continue to give it, and our new SEC, our full support. RQJ is the new RM and manager of MSN (\$395 kc., 1830 local time daily). He replaces RLQ, who resigned because of his many activities in high school (senior year) and also an after-school job. RQJ is a former president of the Minneapolis Radio Club, and has many fine leadership qualities. IYP has been awarded a scholarship and will be attending the U. of Michigan this fall, and studying a new subject, "Radiation and Health." KJZ, URQ and the jr. operator vacationed in Colorado and attended the ARRL Rocky Mountain Convention. QDZ operated /0 this summer at Mankato. RGR has completed a new 6BQ6 mobile rig. QDP spent part of the summer operating /7 on his uncle's ranch near Darby, Mont. IRJ's ORS appointment was endorsed. The Dakota Convention held in St. Paul was a big success with over 600 amateurs registering. VBD again operated /0 at their cottage on Lake Washington, northeast of Mankato. The Worthington hams provided communications for the Model Air Show held there. K0EPT was mobile at Marshall during the flood handling emergency messages. PH visited IIV, QJP and K0EKL in Alexandria. New EC appointments this month are FKT for Mower County, GER for Koochiching County, PHD for Red Lake, Pennington, Polk and Marshall Counties. If you are not an AREC member, become one and register with your local EC. If he is unknown to you, send your application to our SEC, WVO. Traffic: K0CVD 25, W0DQI 28, KJZ 137, KLG 115, WVO 72, ALW 44, QXF 25, TQJ 25, WMA 25, RLQ 24, NNG 23, OJG 22, UMX 18, QVR 16, IRJ 14, LIG 13, K0AEE 12, W0EMZ 12, KXW 12, QVQ 10, K0GJ 8, W0RQJ 8, BUO 7, K0EPT 7, W0QZD 6, NGA 4, UCV 1.

**DELTA DIVISION**

**ARKANSAS**—SCM, Ulmon M. Goings, W5ZZY—SEC: DAG. PAM: DYL. RM: CAF. The hamfest held at Piggett was quite a success. It was a real pleasure to meet so many hams and their families there. Our congratulations to CAF on his appointment as RM. He has a c.w. net going on 3790 kc. daily at 1900. Eleven pieces of traffic were handled during the first two weeks; the average turnout has been about 10 stations. DAG has been appointed as SEC to replace VKE, whose term has expired. We wish Mac much success in this very important office. The amateurs of Russellville have formed a club known as the Arkansas Valley Amateur Radio Club. The officers are: NSM, pres.; SXM, vice-pres.; KBH, secy.-treas. The club meets every Fri. night for theory and code practice for the newcomer to amateur radio. KRO has a new mobile rig. We were very happy to work and hear so many of the Arkansas hams working portable during Field Day. It assures us we have enough portable stations that could be in operation should an emergency arise. GWB and KAN have returned to operation after a long absence. We wish to welcome them both back on the air. A new ham in Osceola is KN5KQD. Traffic: W5DAG 52, KRO 13, CAF 8, ENG 6, WSM 6.

**LOUISIANA**—SCM, Thomas J. Morgavi, W5FMO—Shortly after Hurricane Audrey hit Cameron, La., on May 28, K5CTQ and K5BQT had two rigs working on 40 and 75 meters at the Cameron Courthouse handling vital lifesaving traffic. Completely isolated by power, and telephone line failure, they were the only means of communications with the outside world. In the meantime, hams all around them stood by to take and relay their traffic so that rescue work, medical supplies, food, clothing and other help could be dispatched. All news, weather reports and other pertinent information came by amateur radio. Lots of help came from the neighboring Texas hams. Participating in Louisiana, although not a complete list, were KSI who, after three days of handling traffic offered his services and equipment by going to Cameron, K5BTG, EAW, CXB, W5BSR, IYG, CCD, JTW, APH, KHC, BWZ, VTU, KQT, ZJS, ZJT, JBV, ZAK and QJT. CCD handled 465 messages, not including innumerable phone patches. Cd communications under K5BES did an outstanding job. A hamfest is scheduled for Oct. 13 at New Orleans. K5AGJ has a good traffic count because of "Audrey." The Nat-chitoches ARC had a picnic July 4. KN5KAA and KN5KRR are new Novices. JGI is home for the summer and running a kw. on 75 meters. K5HXY is getting the 6-meter mobile rig ready, which will run about 100 watts. FYZ installed c.d. rigs, assisted by BMD

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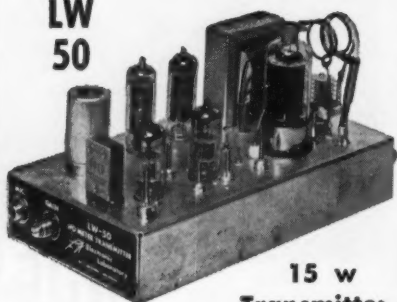
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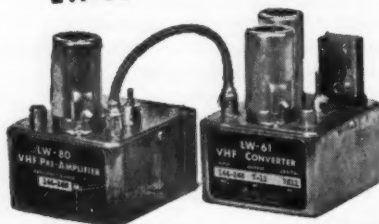
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**MISSISSIPPI**—SCM, John Adrian Houston, sr., W5EHH—The Cleveland Amateur Radio Club's Fourth Annual Picnic held June 9 was well attended, amateurs from five states being present. K5BKK is home for the summer vacation from school in Virginia and is very active on 75- and 15-meter phone and 20-meter c.w. K5DLN may be heard on week ends fixed portable from his cabin on Lake Beulah. K5EEC and EXG both recently purchased Globe King transmitters. The Cleveland Club meets every other Fri. night in its recently-completed clubhouse. K5HPV, HFX and IFW may now be heard on 75-meter phone instead of 40-meter c.w. Traffic: W5JHS 136, RIM 32, EHH 20, GG 10, K5BKK 6.

**TENNESSEE**—SCM, Harry C. Simpson, W4SCF—SEC: RRV, PAM: PQP, RM: IV. Congratulations to PFP, who is the proud new owner of an NC-300, compliments of the Memphis Hamfest. It matches his Valiant very nicely. PL, with another fine total, reports his XYL in a Chattanooga hospital. Very nice bulletins were received from the Alabama Section, Kingsport and Memphis Clubs and Alabama MARS. WQT, making like Times Square, visited NGO, CZE, BQG, BMI and GEN, in addition to attending four hamfests. In turn he was visited by GGM, PQP, WTP, KPP, AGC, VKE, ACG, MYD, CVM and GEN. FLW monitors 30.1 Mc. 10 hours daily. ZBQ and TDZ both report fine auroral openings on 6 meters June 30. ZBQ says c.w. conditions were particularly good. K4DJO profited from the same openings by working three new states, bringing his total to 45. EWC has two accomplishments this month—working a UA2 on 75-meter phone and teaching SCF how to renew engraved letters on receiver panels. He can be contacted for details on the latter. PAH invited all old members of ETPN to renew their activity on this fine net. K5CME 4 is now active from Oak Ridge on 40-meter s.s.b. 5A4TC ex-K4WCL is looking for friends on 20 meters. Field Day messages were received from /4s WQT, COY, EM, KTD, SKH, TRC, DYE and the Harpeths Valley ARC. IGV introduces new Humboldt ham K4LMH and ex-KL7BV, K4POL. The Humboldt ARC station made 318 contacts during Field Day. ZJY, now awaiting an "F" call, would like to hear from his friends, who may write him at 1272-1 AACB Det., APO 84, N. Y. Traffic: W4PL 1451, W4RCF 736, W5IGW 84, VJ 63, OGG 52, IV 46, SCF 34, EWC 29, UVL 29, DCH 26, YRM 26, K4BMC 18, GFL 17, W4SRK 11, MKQ 9, FLW 8, HUT 6, PAH 6, HSN 5, TDZ 4, WTP 2, ZBQ 2, CME 1, K4HSN 1, W4FEN 1, K4HSP 1, PLC 1, W4PVD 1, TRC 1, TYV 1, WQW 1, ZIA 1, ZJY 1.

## GREAT LAKES DIVISION

**KENTUCKY**—SCM, Albert M. Barnes, W4KKW—SEC: JSH, PAM: VJV and STD, RM: QCD, JUI and HTO a father-and-son combination, both OES, turned in a very interesting and comprehensive report on temperature inversion and Sporadic E skip on 6 meters. JUI walked away unhurt from a car accident that completely demolished his car. K4KIN is going back to college. Meantime K4KIO will operate the rig. K4GAG has a new home-brew 813 rig running 260 watts on 20-meter DX. K4KCN also is building a new high-power rig. It is with great regret that we announce the passing of BZT, of Southgate. Earl was an old-timer active on 10 and 15 meters and helped in Field Day contests, too! New OPS: SZL, New ORS: K4KIN and K4KIO. RM QCD reports that KYN handled 253 messages in 30 sessions with an average of 8.4. A new station checking in KYN is K4JPP. FL Campbell, QCD also delivered 19 messages from a homesick soldier in Germany with lots of relatives around Corbin. KKG made a vacation trip to the West Coast and saw lots of his W6 friends. W4KWR, sec., treas. of the ARTS, visited Ye Old SCM and we had a nice ragchew. PAM STD helped out in Cameron and Lake Charles after Hurricane Audrey struck. The Amateur Radio Emergency Corps (AREC) assisted Northern Ky. Auxiliary Police in handling auto parking July 4. Participants were AUD, RHZ, BZY, K4KFO and TZT. SEC JSH reports the total number of AREC members is 163 with 151 full members and 12 supporting. There are 27 official mobile units in the section with 12 local emergency nets in operation. PAM VJV reports KPN held 26 sessions with a total QNT of 502. Traffic was 96. DAF is going to college. Traffic: (June) W4ZDB 390, KKW 141, QCD 126, K4KIN 105, (Continued on page 104)

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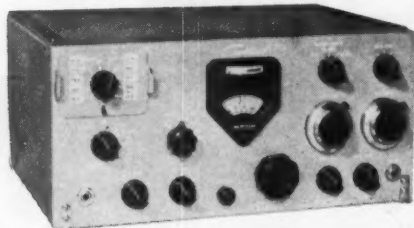
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**MICHIGAN**—SCM, Thomas G. Mitchell, W8RAE—Asst. SCM (c.w.) Joe Beljan, 8SCW; Asst. SCM (phone) Bob Cooper, 8AQA, SEC (acting): RAE. Since my vacation schedule dictates that this report be filed before the traffic reports arrive, the next report will contain traffic totals for both June and July. This is an opportune time to report to all members of this section on the results of the RACES meeting held in Lansing on June 15. That meeting was called by RDN, who is the new State RACES Radio Officer as reported last month. The purpose of this meeting was to determine the status of AREC and RACES in Michigan. Persons in attendance included about half of the Area Radio Officers, representatives of the Michigan office of Civil Defense, and guests interested in the subject of RACES. It was most gratifying to witness the sincere interest in amateur radio facilities, as expressed by MOCD representatives, and to hear first-hand the plans that they have to integrate our service. Mr. Hemmye (RDN) is very well qualified for the new appointment and we are most fortunate to have such a person in that position to represent our interests. The agenda included topics presented by MOCD officials, SOX reporting on RACES and State Communications, WFA reporting on "Area Organization Methods" and RAE reporting on "AREC and RACES". It was agreed that the present AREC and RACES organizations would remain the same except for changes in a few appointments that may be deemed necessary because of inactivity or lack of interest. Until such time as the existing RACES plan can be modified and will use the facilities of the existing MEN and QMN nets to handle state traffic during drills and tests. Plans were submitted for approval to hold several similar meetings during the late summer and early fall to revise the present RACES plan and to make such changes in the organizations as will stimulate both AREC and RACES to the necessary level of efficiency and dependability. At the close of this meeting all present felt a sincere unified effort on the part of all toward the common goal. It is very evident that the MOCD needs and wants our help. Let's all assist our AREC and RACES officials in every way possible.

**OHIO**—SCM, Wilson E. Weckel, W8AL—Asst. SCMs: J. C. Erickson, 8DAE, and E. F. Bonnet, 80VG, SEC: UPB, RM: DAE and FYO, PAMS: HPP, HUX and HZJ. K8EKG has a new 40-meter Zep, VZ received Worked All Ohio Counties certificate No. 5. K8DHU received his General Class ticket. The Belmont County C.D. RACES plan has been approved and the call is K8EEM, with YCM as Radio Officer and HZJ as Director of Communications. CAG has a new Viking II, CSK and BAI graduated from high school. The Denison U. RC has put out a bulletin and it tells us they have KN8DNE, DON, EKI and EKJ as new hams. DNE and EKI are father and son. On June 8 the Fulton County ARC put on a three-hour show with talks, exhibits of modern and old spark gear, mobiles and demonstrations for a Boy Scout Campfire near Defiance with DFN, UPR, ZHQ, VAQ, SXU, SMW, JR, K8s BJL, CSX, CLI and KN8BNP taking part. PBX has a new 6-meter beam 65 feet high. 40MW was forced to give up the editorship of the Ohio Valley ARA's *Ether Waves* because of a heart condition. KVX was appointed to fill his shoes. JJW received a painful arm injury while helping JIN to erect his new 97-foot steel tower. KWAG and K8DEX received their General Class tickets and CAG has a new WRL-300, AJW and TZO are now RSGB members. The Toledo CARMAR Club is being reactivated and will use WSK during Field Day. K8BNR had a close call with the grim reaper while working around 13,000 volts at work and spent a long period in the hospital with a badly-burned face, arm and chest. TND also spent many weeks in bed at home with gangrene in both feet. Z8JHX visited nine days in Toledo with local hams. On Father's Day OPU, his XYL OPV and VTP visited your SCM. Canton hams had a rash of babies, OJW and PZG each a son and OJZ a daughter. SWB left on a hitch in the Navy. SP2DG, on 14,050 kc., is trying to work all of the Ohio counties, so try to give him your county and get a county at the same time. Fred's report in last month's report that NBK was the high 14-Mc. c.w. scorer in the 8th District in CQ's DX Contest. JND has finished boot camp and will be going to an electronic school soon. The stork brought a baby boy to VFT's XYL. ZYU received a QSL from UC2KAB. GKB worked VS6DV on 21-Mc. c.w. The Cuyahoga County AREC had a busy month. First it furnished communications needed to control Cleveland's Flag Day parade, with AEU, BDZ, LHX, PZR, VM, and K8ABA taking part. Second, Cleveland had a tornado alert and 45 stations in 27 surrounding communities

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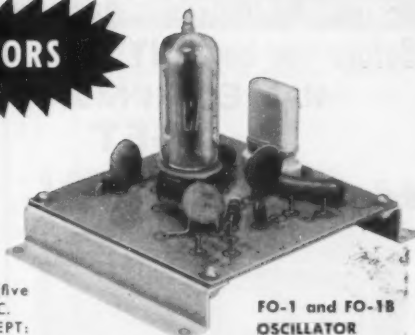
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checked into the 10- and 6-meter nets. Those in the 6-meter net were TFW, TXC, CTP, NRI, CWW, LHX, QLS, UDL, UKC, FFA, HZY and K8HXY. Those in the 10-meter net were AEC, OPX, BDZ, ZJC, OHJ, VBN, OPC, SKG, MWE, BUQ, UEM, OED, GJQ, MAE, QXS, OJR, INW, FKB, OKI, SGO, FFK, WLM, CYT, RDP, LVM, BMX, OYS, JFD, PVC, K8s CFH, EDJ and AET. The stork brought SZU's XYL a baby boy. The South East ARC of Cleveland had 14 pass their Novice Class examinations and receive their tickets, so the club's code class was a big success. Those licensed are KN8s GEK, GGU, GGV, GGW, GGX, GGY, GHR, GIH, GJE, GJI, GJJ, GJK, GKC and GKD. K8HPX received WAC as a Novice. TCT is mobile on 6 meters. Toledo ARC's hams of the month are those on the TVI committee, namely, BZD, HSW, RZQ and TQY, for their untiring work. AMW has a twelve-element beam on 2 meters. The stork brought a baby girl to BTW and his XYL LGY. SUP won the Bishop's gold cross for religion when he graduated from high school. STF is now mobile. CSK made BPL in June. A new appointee is UPH as OPS. Traffic: (June) W8UPH 488, K8BXP 319, W8CSK 310, DAE 96, HXB 56, VYU 44, GKB 43, SZU 43, K8DDG 27, W8AL 20, CGF 12, QGD 9, QIE 8, sVL 6, FFK 4, MGC 4, MXO 4, STR 4, LMB 1. (May) W8MXO 9, K8BXP 8, W8SVL 4.

## HUDSON DIVISION

**EASTERN NEW YORK**—SCM, George W. Tracy, W2EFU—SEC: KGC, RM: BXP, PAMS: LJC and KOC. Section nets: NYS on 3615 kc. at 1900 EDST, NYSPTEN on 3925 kc. at 1800 EDST, Civil Defense Command Nets, 3993 and 3509.5 kc. Sun. at 0900 EDST, MHT on 3716 kc. Sat. at 1300 EDST. From all reports Field Day 1957 was very successful, as evidenced by six reports received by the SCM. PHX says the new vertical for 6 meters has low SWR but little radiated signal. K2EDH is off the air until September. An overloaded generator caused trouble on Field Day for the Harmonic Hill Club. They'll do better next year, reports WQL, new editor of their *Zero Beat*. K2RUU is teaching RTTY to his Naval Reserve Unit. The June 10 communications drill proved our State C.D. Command Nets can move traffic when a clear channel is available. Fifty messages were handled in three hours at State Control Center, according to BGO. Their three channel RTTY system can handle upwards of 700 words per minute with two transmitters and seven receivers at the main station of the system. 15 meters enabled a serviceman at K2J58 to obtain leave to visit his critically-ill mother in Troy through K2HPQ. Nice work, Dave. New appointment: K2TUD as OO. NYSPTEN reports 10 call-ins over a period of two months qualifies new members for net certificates. K2HNW, professor of physics at Union College, spent the summer teaching in California. Traffic: (June) W2RXP 170, EFU 127, K2HPQ 78, W2PHX 74, K2QVA 68, W2LKI 38, GCH 18.

**NEW YORK CITY AND LONG ISLAND**—SCM, Harry J. Dannels, W2TUK—SEC: ADO, PAM: OBW, RM: WFL. Section nets: NLI, 3630 kc. nightly at 1930 EDST and Sat. at 1915 EDST; NYC-LIPN, 3908 kc. Mon. through Sat. from 1730 to 1830 EDST; NYC-LI AREC, 3908 kc. Sun. at 1400 EDST. The traffic nets are a little short-handed during the summer season, but all nets continued their fine performance. Credit goes to the stalwarts who keep the traffic moving. BPL cards go to W2s KEB and KVV and K2PHE. Field Day enthusiasts enjoyed one of the most successful FD week ends in postwar history, with excellent weather and radio conditions providing high scores. K2ECY has a new NC-300. K2DEM operated portable from camp at Peekskill. New officers of the Bronx HS of Science RC are K2IYC, pres.; K2YMZ vice-pres.; and K2QDD, secy. TUK installed a new Gonset Bantam beam on 20 meters to keep skulls with his Dad, 2GG/4, in Florida. K2SEK increased power to 60 watts and reports into both the Phone and C.W. Section Nets. The Larkfield ARC is a newly-formed club in the Northport Area. CEV, Staten Island, has returned to the NLI Net after a long absence. K2TGW is the first YL to get a ticket at BVH. The Thomas Jefferson HS. HQL received his DXCC-180 sticker. Joe has a wonderful set of color pictures of Navassa Island, where he and IWC worked more than 300 stations in less than ten hours of DXing. K2CMV added a Q-multiplier to his HQ-12X. K2IDD has a new NC-300 to go with his DX-100. K2KRJ joined the 10-meter mobile ranks. BXS and his XYL, K2ESO, welcomed their fourth addition—a fourth daughter! New officers of the Nassau RC are K2HEA, pres.; M. Levine, vice-pres.; NYN, secy.; and KN2YAL, trans. K2s PFA and RTE are at camp in Port Jervis. K2RNV made WAS on 7 Mc. KN2GV is operating on 40 meters and is planning 6-meter fixed and mobile work. New officers of the

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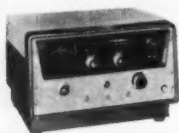
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### NYC-LI SECTION QSO PARTY SEPT. 7-8, 1957

The New York Radio Club announces a New York City-Long Island Section QSO Party in which all amateurs are invited to participate. Details follow:

1. *Times*: 24-hour week-end contest starting 1800 EST Saturday, Sept. 7, and ending 1800 EST Sunday, Sept. 8.
2. *Frequencies*: Use all bands, phone and c.w. The following frequencies are suggested: 3630, 3910, 7060, 7265, 14,060, 14,240, 21,080, 21,350, 28,800 kc.; 50.1 and 144.5 Mc.
3. *General call*: Outside stations call "CQ New York-Long Island," or "CQ NLI" on c.w. Stations in the section call "CQ from New York-Long Island" on phone and "CQ de NLI" on c.w. 4. *Exchange*: NYC-LI stations send QSO number, RS or RST, and county — Bronx, Brooklyn, Nassau, New York (Manhattan), Queens, Richmond (Staten Island), Suffolk. Outside stations send QSO number, RS or RST, and state, province, or country. Use log form similar to that for SS, 5. *Scoring*: Count 2 points per completed QSO, multiplied by the number of counties or states, provinces, or countries. Multiply this total by 1.25 if input power is under 150 watts at all times. Only one QSO per station will be counted regardless of bands used. 6. *Awards*: A certificate will be issued to all those working the 7 NYC-LI counties during the party. The highest scorer in each NYC-LI county will earn a certificate. Also the highest scorer in each outside state, from which more than 2 entries are received, will earn an award. Finally, first, second, and third place stations, both in and out of the section, will receive a certificate. Multioperator stations are ineligible for awards. 7. *Logs*: Send logs to M. M. Freedman, W2AS1, President, New York Radio Club, 3 Channel Drive, Kings Point, L. I., New York. Logs postmarked later than October 1 will be disqualified. The decisions of the contest committee will be final.

BCNU September 7 and 8!

K2PHC is using verticals on 15- and 20-meter phone. New officers of the Bell Labs ARC are K2AMT, chairman; DAC, vice-chairman; K2OXV, secy.-treas.; and KN2ZB1, librarian. K2SEK wishes to announce the beginning of the Long Island Novice Net (LINN) on 3745 kc. Mon. through Sat. from 1800 to 1845 EDT. All interested Novices and others are invited to participate and report their traffic totals to the SCML. K2MEM runs 100 watts and receivers on an ARR-7. 9FD1.2 at Mitchel AFB runs a Viking Ranger as a mobile rig. The New York RC sponsors the first NYC-LI Section QSO Party. Details appear in this issue. Hope to see the section well represented. Traffic: (June) W2KEB 1804, K2PIF 314, W3KPV 309, K2ECY 243, W2HO 128, K2DEM 121, LUM 75, W2DRD 65, AEE 61, JGV 36, K2RJO 32, W2TUK 30, K2PSE 25, KSP 20, SEK 19, W2YKQ 217, K2AAW 14, W2EC 14, PF 14, K2MEM 10, W2CEV 8, K2LEP 6, TSE 6, W2IVS 5, OME 5, K2DQD 2, (May) W2HAC 18, UGF 15, OME 6, K2ITZ 3, RKL 1.

**NORTHERN NEW JERSEY**—SCM, Lloyd H. Manamon, W2YQR; SEC, IIN, PAM; VDE, RMs: BRC, NKD and CGG. K2AJV passed the Extra Class exam. The GSARA has completed its first code instruction class under the supervision of Don Marx. Fifty signed up for the course, eleven have taken the final exam with nine passing. K2IRC is mobile on 6 meters. The Lakeland Amateur Radio Assn. held its second annual hamfest on Aug. 4. PWX is spending some time in New Mexico. While there he keeps in contact with K2MGO, his son, who keeps the home fires burning. JCU and IMU are active in NJN after a long absence. IMU will be operating from the schooner *Lively Lady* en route to Bermuda. BRC vacationed in Upper New York State where the fishing is good. The IRAC en-

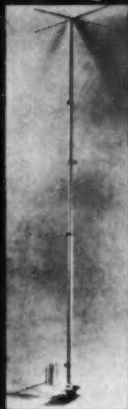
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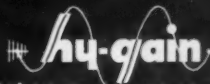
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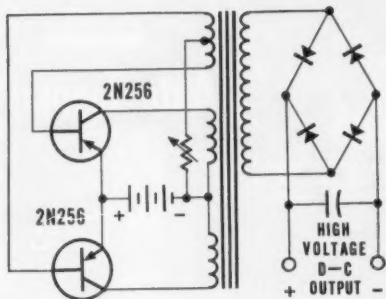
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joyed a talk given by K2GQ on RTTY. IMM was elected vice-pres. of IRAC. K2GIF went on vacation to Cape Cod. K2TWK has a new v.f.o. K2OAM is interested in establishing a 2-meter net for traffic-handling. K2SKK reports RTTY installation at his home QTH. 12XA, now is complete. K2PLF is getting started in traffic work and likes it a lot. His dad, K2TEO, has just received his General Class license. K2TIV is active in the NJPN. RXL occasionally shoots for 30-meter DX. KFR operated 10-meter mobile while on vacation on Cape Cod. K2RIC is a regular member of the FNJ. Bob has a new all-band rig in the planning stage. The NJPN's annual picnic was a huge success with 45 net members attending. VDE has started an AREC net on 3900 k. Sun. at 1400. The New Jersey Phone Net members now have call letter lapel pins. K2CHI has joined the Air Force and is stationed in Texas. WN2FEQ is a new Novice licensee in N.J. K2EFA graduated as E.E. from Rutgers and will do post-graduate work at M.I.T. IAT is getting back on the air with a new 811 rig. EKV should be back on the air soon. K2PSX is building a new 150-watt rig. K2OAM is active in Fairlawn RACES organization. The Forty New Jersey Net has issued its second in a series of net bulletins. K2AJV is the extraordinary editor-in-chief of this excellent net bulletin. K2MFF had the rig with him at Boy Scout camp. K2RRK has a new 20-A exciter. On June 15 FNJ conducted a field trip and the following shacks were visited: K2OYF, PYL, RKH, QYL, MMM, RIC, TNJ and AJV. A new ham in Belleville is WN2LL, GYV is back from a trip to California. K2QYV lost his antenna during a storm. New Jersey anaratus and the entire state RACES organization did a tremendous job during "Operation Alert '37." The State Director of Civil Defense has asked that his sincere thanks and appreciation for a job well done be expressed through this column. State RACES control has added a new 130-ft. tower with 144-Mc. antenna atop the new tower.

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### MIDWEST DIVISION

**IOWA**—SCM, Russell Marquis, W0BDR—INJM. National EC, was guest speaker at the Des Moines Club meeting on June 12. NWX, LGG and BDR also were present. The 160-Meter Net held its annual picnic near Grand Junction. Seventy-seven hams and their families were present. NWX and BDR gave brief talks. JAD and K2EXN received EC appointments. MG renewed his SEC appointment. Also the following were renewals: LGG and QVA as RMs, UTD, NYX and QVA as ORS and JDV as OBS. Section Net certificates were issued to the following TLN members: K0CLS, CYF, GBD, GXC, WBCOD and SLC. KSF is on the air with a new DX-100. GNQ and FMX were on vacation. YDV has a new 75A-4 and Tri-Band beam. Several clubs and groups were active in the Field Day exercise. NWX visited the Sioux City Club. K0GBD has a new RME-4300. SCA has a new deluxe shack complete with TV and rocking chair. YUA and DPT, father and son, went on a fishing trip to Minnesota. LCN missed his first BPL in several months because of remodeling the shack but promises to be back hard at it next month. EHH, mobile, originated traffic from a church conference near Fairfield. Traffic: (June) W0BDR 1469, SCA 1149, PZO 1075, LGG 807, CZ 402, BJP 392, LCN 250, GNQ 204, QVA 143, K0CLS 79, W0HLH 72, LJW 65, NYX 35, K0BRE 34, W0KVB 34, K0CYF 29, W0NGS 28, FMZ 25, UTD 20, K0CFB 16, W0WVE 14, K0EXN 4, GBD 9, GXC 9, W0SLC 7, HNE 4, FIDM 1. (May) W0HLH 149, K0DON 16. (Mar.) K0AHZ 15. (Feb.) W0AHZ 7.

**KANSAS**—SCM, Earl N. Johnston, W0VC SEC: PAH, RM: QGG, PAM: IEW. Did you note our new PAM? Yes, FNS decided to let someone else take the helm as PAM. Bake has done an outstanding job in looking after the KPN so conscientiously and although his work will be missed we know he surely deserves a long rest. We wish to welcome LEW, of Yates Center, to the post. Bob has an outstanding signal that is heard all over the State and we feel sure he will do a good job with the KPN. All of us deeply mourn the

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passing of FLZ June 19. It was a shock felt by all of us. NYI has received his seventh Armed Forces Day c.w. certificate. From the messages received it appears that more than ten radio clubs participated in Field Day. UWN, of Waterville, has put the finishing touches on 6 Novices who have taken their exams and he is starting a new class this winter. KN6KOH is a new call in Waterville. TOL, of Manhattan, likes his new Matchstick antenna that works so well. ICV (yours truly) is off the air temporarily because lightning hit the grounded tower. The juice followed the rotator cable in the shack—everything else was grounded. Traffic: (June) W0BLI 638, NYI 267, QGG 203, TOL 199, FNS 153, K0BKF 127, KN0HSE 85, W0HJ 79, COL 63, ABJ 44, ONF 31, TNA 13, ICV 10, SAF 10, ASY 9, WWR 9, VZM 7, LEW 5, TEZ 5, VGE 4, K0AOQ 2, BVX 1, W0LOW 1, (May) W0UTO 7, LOW 3.

**MISSOURI**—SCM, James W. Hoover, W0GEP—SEC: BUL, RMS: OUD and QNO, PAM: BVL. The St. Louis RACES group has had several workouts handling communications for the C.D. Auxiliary Police during the flooding of the Meramec River. The June and July issue of *Midwest CLIXS*, published by KXL/NYI, described amateur emergency communications following the recent devastating tornado in the Kansas City Area. K0HQQ reports that the Ozark Emergency Storm Net has been organized on 23.1 Mc. K0DEX has a new 6-KVA gas-line-driven generator. CPI reports that hurricane traffic boosted his traffic this month. Several reports indicated very successful hamfests held in Sedalia and Moberly during June. CIA, ICW and K0BRA are operating s.s.b. in Springfield. GCL has returned after several months of work out of the State with the CAA. Two new ARRL Affiliated Clubs are the Missouri School of Mines Radio Club and the Frico Ham Radio Club. The 6-Meter Activity Club Net in Kansas City meets at 50.4 Mc. at 2100 each Tue. The Midwest Teenage Phone Net has moved from 75 meters and is now operating Tue. and Thurs. on 7273 kc. at 1500 CST. KN0HQX reports working two Puerto Rico Novices on 40 meters. UXT and MHS have qualified for Traffickers 1000 Certificates. The SCM and SEC received only five messages from Field Day stations, but a much greater number were known to be operating. Traffic: (June) W0CPI 1031, GAR 584, GBJ 217, VPQ 102, OUD 90, OMM 78, KIK 71, IIR 56, EBE 21, K0HQQ 19, W0HUI 19, WFF 19, YVM 18, K0HBT 16, W0VYJ 14, BVL 11, BUL 10, CKQ 10, LQC 10, RTW 10, EPI 9, OVV 9, K0DEX 4, IFL 4, IHY 3. (May) W0VPQ 135, EBE 43, LQC 7, WAP 7.

**NEBRASKA**—SCM, Charles E. McNeel, W0EXP—Field Day activity was very good in Nebraska with the following reports: Norfolk, UNI reporting, had 10 operators 5 miles west and 10 AREC members. Omaha, EQU/8 reporting, had 31 operators 4 miles northwest of Omaha. FEN reported six operators and one transmitter 3 miles northwest of Omaha. UJ reported 4 operators 5 miles south of Fairbury. ONH reported 6 operators and 2 transmitters at the air port in Hastings. VEY reported 9 operators 3 miles east of Gresham. VQN reported 16 operators at the air port in Scottsbluffs. RTC/8 reported 4 operators at Point of Rocks near Potter. New members of the 75-Meter Phone Net are K0HKI and K0DUU, making a total of 39 for June with QNI 432 and QTC 43, as reported by MAO. SPK reports the 75-Meter Morning Net has added K0HKI and had QNI 369, traffic 87. The Western Nebraska Net is going strong, as reported by NIK, with QNI 372. There were about 65 amateurs in attendance at the Rocky Mountain Convention in Estes Park. K0EYV was all set as a relay station for the Powder Puff Derby which made a scheduled stop in North Platte this year. DDT keeps three net affiliations, Nebraska, TEN and CAN, and turns in an FB traffic report. The Lincoln Amateur Radio Club held a picnic June 30 at Bethany Park with a good attendance. PAM MAO reports very poor conditions at noon for the Nebraska Phone Net but is doing an FB job keeping it going. Traffic: K0DGW 229, W0MAO 110, ZIF 76, DDT 63, ZWG 62, NIK 38, UJK 38, SKK 34, DQN 29, EQG 16, ZWF 15, K0DFO 11, W0TIP 11, OCC 8, PJD 8, ZOU 7, K0ELU 5, W0RCU 5, VGH 5, SWQ 3, VSI 2, K0HKI 1, W0RMS 1.

### NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

**CONNECTICUT**—SCM, Victor L. Crawford, WITYQ—SEC: EOR, RM: KYQ, PAM: YBH. Traffic nets: MCN, Mon.-Fri. 0645 on 3640 kc.; CPN, Mon.-Sat. 1800, Sun. 1000 on 3880 kc.; CN, Mon.-Sat. 1845 and 2200 on 3640 kc.; CTN, Sun. 0900 on 3640 kc. Fifty-four amateurs enjoyed a joint meeting of the Southington, Meriden, Bristol and Newington Amateur Radio Clubs June 4. The program consisted of remarks by New England Division Director EFW, an auction, Field Day movies and prizes. VLH gave an interesting lecture on

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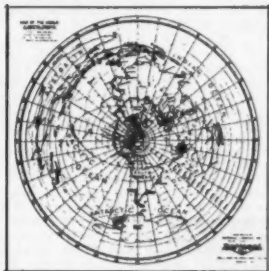
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**MAINE**—Acting SCM, Charles L. Chapman, WIWTG —The Sea Gull, Barnyard and Pine Tree Nets still are in operation. BBS and BDP have flown to England for a visit with some of Myron's old war buddies. The UXU, UYA, WTG exchange trips are coming to a close with the starting of school. Are the fellows in Northern Maine always away from home? Our game warden, AXX, is housing some small wild ducks. The Augusta Hamfest was a huge success, with DPK and PCD finding the hidden transmitter. Stevie put on another fine time at the Dexter Hamfest. It is with the deepest regret that we place NVF, NAQ and WNIBRT on the Silent Keys list. TWR and parents are moving to the Sunny South for the winter. PTZ and NTV still are eating all those "enormous" trout. ZEN is moving to Maine. I hope by the time this article comes out, the section will have an SCM! All it takes is a little imagination and time. So, come on, fellows. Let's keep Maine on the map! Traffic: (June) WILKP 133, CEV 32, UDD 30, WTG 21, K2DVT/1 14, WIKFY 5, (May) WIWTG 255, LKP 193, CEV 64, FZK 35, EPN 33, BCD 30, BDP 27, UDD 27, GYJ 20, FLV 17, OTQ 10, HYD 8, JMN 6.

**EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS**—SCM, Frank L. Baker, Jr., W1ALP—New appointments: TZ as EC, Altemate R.O. for Sector 1B. Appointees endorsed: TYD Andover, JSM Waltham, SS Lincoln, as ECs; AYG as OO; JSM as OES; UKO and SS as OPS; SS as ORS; CTR as OBS; DFS as PAM for 75-meter phone; AWA North Reading as EC and OBS. Heard on 2 meters: DA, KN1s BSM, BGJ, 6SEU/1, KIBXA is on 6 meters with a Lettine, CQ had a serious operation but is home again. Our sympathy to WK on the death of his father. Heard on 75 meters: KRL, ZHG, TOL, NO, OG, BIA, OTN, GYZ now is mobile. Hams in Bellingham: BDW, DUU, HGN, HGO, IRQ, ZAO, KN1s AFK, AUL, BIR, BYV. They are working on RACES down there. The following took part in ARRL's F.M.T. in May: BGW, TZ, WK, TVZ. WU bought a new place in the country and will have a real antenna farm. KHV is taking a trip to California and will take in the National Convention at Chicago. DIY is on 75 meters. The So. Eastern Mass. ARA had a very fine Field Day. All of the clubs in this section were out on this event. The 2-meter band opened up wide and W2s and W3s were coming in fine. NF worked EA6AW and VSIGL, taking a 2-meter Gonset to N.Y.C. with him on vacation. EUJ reports that the Valley ARC was on Field Day in Chelmsford, NBN/1. The QRA held its annual banquet. AVY/6 writes from Los Angeles and says he is feeling pretty good. HZR has gone s.s.b. with B&W 5100 and 51SB. LEO is on in Methuen. FJJ is NCS of the Eastern States Net on Thurs. and has a 10-meter ground plane up. KIBRH is new in Weymouth and is on our Eastern Mass. Net. ETH/1, in Hull, will be on 75 meters. IBE has new antenna on 40 meters and a "Tapetone." KNIBYV helped YAA on Field Day, has a trap antenna, and is an emergency service ham in the B.S.A. KIBRE is on the air in Franklin, helped by TZ. BGW says a lot of the Novices are working outside on the 21-Mc. band.

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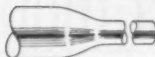
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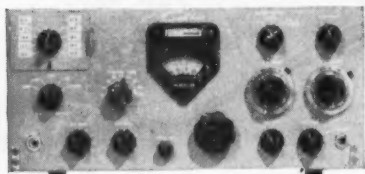
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**WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM.** Osborne R. McKeaghan, WHIRV—SEC: RRR, RM: BVR, PAM: MNG. The WMCW Net on 3500 kc, daily at 1900 and the WM Phone Net on 3870 kc, Wed. at 1800 needs your support. How about it, fellows. BVR, our RM, is taking a well-deserved vacation from the traffic nets for two months. DWV has assumed the RM duties for July and August. Attention: There are about 65 stations in the section that hold close to 100 official appointments. About 40 of these have not been endorsed recently, some not for several years. To be valid, an appointee's certificate should be endorsed each year. Please check and send them in for my signature to avoid cancellation. Field Day activity in the section was at an all-time high this year. The HICARA had six rigs in operation on Wilbraham Mountain with plenty of operators and eats. Over 800 contacts were made. The Pioneer Valley Club was set up on Anniversary Hill in Holyoke with 5 rigs. The club's first Field Day was a huge success. The Pittsfield Radio Club was very active and made many contacts. DGL, DZV, KGB and FZY made a Field Day trip into Vermont and did an FB job with two rigs. Many small groups were active in different locations and I believe this was one of the best Field Days the section ever had. SPF reports a storm-tracking drill was held by the AREC group in the Worcester Area in preparation for tornado emergencies. LSZ has a daily sked on 10 meters with ZSMP and so far they have made 267 contacts in a little over a year. Les has 124 countries confirmed on 10-meter phone also. ZEO reports a summer Novice class is being held at the North Adams YMCA with 16 hopefuls attending. DZV is rebuilding and will install a break-in system for more efficient traffic-handling. HRV enjoyed some nice mobile contacts while vacationing in Eastern Massachusetts. Traffic: WUEQ 397, BVR 101, FZY 37, TAY 25, DGL 22, AGM 8, HRV 4, DZV 2, ZEO 2.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCM.** John A. Knapp, WIAJ—SEC: BXU, RMS: CRW and COC, PAM: CDX. NHN, traffic net, is on 3885 kc, Mon. through Sat. at 1900. RACES Net, NHEN, meets Sun. at 1300 on 3830 kc. GSPN meeting time is 1900 on 3842 kc, Mon. through Fri., and on Sun. at 0900. YJC, Nashua Mike and Key Club secretary, reports increased activity with code classes, v.h.f. work and club auctions. NPY/JTB, on Mt. Washington, sent in an FB report on his 2- and 6-meter activity. TNE was a recent visitor at ZHO. Whitefield, KNIBCS advises that KNIAIQ now has his General Class license and a new Valiant I. PZI and AJJ have acquired a commercial radiotelephone 2nd-class license. The Granite State Phone Net held a picnic at Belknap Recreation Area on June 30. Approximately 30 members, with their XYLs, YLs and jr. operators were present. HQ presided over a short business meeting, following which a general get-together and rag-chew added up to a most enjoyable event. Another such event is tentatively scheduled for September at which time WBM, following return from his European sojourn, is expected to give a color-slide report of his trip. BPL cards to SAL, FUA and KNIBCS. Memo to new hams: Please send me your QTH. Welcome to KICLD in Piermont. Traffic: (June) WIFUA 311, KNIBCS 112, WIQGU 45, IQG 28, GDV 6, BVS 2, EVN 2. (May) WIQGU 14.

**RHODE ISLAND—SCM.** Mrs. June R. Burkett, WIVXC—SEC: PAZ, PAM: YNE, RMS: BBN and BTY. AUT, of BVARC, is instructing potential Tech. and Gen. Class licensees. KDS has a MARS call. New (Continued on page 118)

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calls on 50 Mc. are KIs BWX, BDN, WIs CKH, WRC and MUZ. QWU is working on a new half-gallon rig for 80 through 10 meters. CDH is mobile on 6 meters. Your SCM enjoyed a visit at the July 2 club meeting of the BCRA. FGF, from ARRL, was guest speaker. ZXA's mother and father now have calls—KNIBTY and KNIBTZ, respectively. HKN reports contact with Ohio and Virginia on 160 meters. Results of recent club elections: CRA—BTU, pres.; YKQ, vice-pres.; KIABR, secy.; and OOX, treas. BCRA—ISE, pres.; WNIQH, vice-pres.; CBS, treas.; Gerard Laroche, secy.; JIM, net. mgr.; and FVZ, pub. inf. YNE was married on July 6. HFC (ex-2VZN) operates mainly on 40-meter c.w. with a new home-built rig, between cruises while on sea duty with the Navy. GSW is in the Air Force and stationed in Lackland, Tex. CVF is home from R.P.I. for the summer. URA is now on 2 meters with a Gonset. ZVF has worked 80 countries with the rig at the BVARC. CKM, here on vacation from Washington, D. C., enjoyed many contacts on 2 meters. New appointments: FVZ and MUZ as OES; CMH needs one state for WAS and has worked 44 countries. Field Day activity in this section appears to have been very successful, with at least eight clubs, plus many individuals, participating. The Rhode Island Intercity Net (Mon. through Fri. 1930 on 29.290 kc.) will be resumed Sept. 16. Traffic: WIVXC 24, JZW 18, YRC 10, HLY 9, TGD 9, HKN 7, MUL 6, KDS 3, JXA 3.

**VERMONT**—SCM, Mrs. Ann L. Chandler, WIOAK—SEC: SIO, RM: BNV, PAM: SEO, Nets: VTN, Mon.-Sat. at 6:30 p.m. on 3520 kc.; VTPN, Sun. mornings at 9 on 3860 kc.; GMIN, Mon.-Sat. at 5 p.m. on 3860 kc. NCS was shared on VTPN by VSA, TJ, SEO, VVP and EDM, 60 different stations reported in five sessions. New calls heard were AD, PAX, EXN, FV, GVN, HFN, IVJ, TFB and KIALE. 69 different stations checked in GMIN handling 67 messages. VTN remains on regular schedule through the summer. New appointee: DAQ as Windham County EC. NDL submitted a fine report in the May F.M.T. A RACES meeting was held June 30 in Montpelier. Vermont MARS Net meets Thurs. at 6 p.m. on 4025 kc. with TJ as NCS and SP as ANCS, while other Northern N.E. MARS nets meet the same time and frequency Tue., Wed. and Fri. AVP received a C.D. Commendation Award and write-up in the *Rutland Herald*. The very fine Trio of Vermont nets is in circulation by WOA. The Tri-County Amateur Radio club announces: "Vt. QSO Party results as follows: BNS (Mass.) and DYE (N. H.) tied for first with K2ECL (N. Y.) in second place. In Vermont AF/1 (Windor County) was first and RWP (Windham County) second. W-VT certificates went to AQE, YHI, W2RSV, K2ECL and W3EEB. The Sixth International Field Day at Mallets Bay was attended by more than 350. The 75-meter treasure hunt was won by VE2SC, the 10-meter hunt by W2NZ and the 2-meter by K2HJC. KJG gave boat rides on Lake Champlain on his yacht. GAZ is operating double sideband. KNIBKH is new in East Calais. FDT acquired a new HRO-60. SOV is operating portable from Freedom, N. H., where he is instructing radio at a boys camp. YEL has a new Triumph sports car, known by ZIM as a "flying machine." SEO visited TJ. LMI has a brand-new harmonic and is working at WDEV with QNM. IVT and NYL conduct weekly barn dances at Calais. KIAAX is Lt. Col. Austin, Commandant of 764th AC and W. Sq., St. Albans, Vt. EDM and TJ enjoyed a week of "ham" visiting in Maine. VDX is on a European tour. JI2 and CNF are back in Brattleboro. EXZ is trying out a 2-meter mobile converter. ELJ is operating 20-meter phone mostly this summer. VEZ is on 20 meters week ends. RCO has accepted a job with Bendix Aviation Corp. at South Bend, Ind. Catamount Key Clicks was organized this spring by KIAAW and BYO in Bennington and operated v.h.f. Field Day on Mt. Snow Sky Resort. DGL reported one AREC member and five operators on Field Day in Whitingham. ZPH worked all bands on emergency power on Mt. Equinox, while KKM and RFP handled lots of traffic via 2 meters on a N. H. mountain-top. TRZ operated from Mt. Hogback and CBW, VZE and PWB spent Field Day in the woods near Danville. After his Army discharge UGW will be employed in New Jersey. EAE, EIB, HYE, RCO, ZYZ and W2RG visited MMN and OAK. Traffic: WIAVP 88, OAK 79, VZE 42, ELJ 22.

### NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

**IDAHO**—SCM, Rev. Francis A. Peterson, W7RKI—ACD is making final preparations for the 25th Anniversary Big Springs Hamfest. Idaho amateur car license plates are now being sent out. Many Field Day reports are in. CDA/7 Pocatello, PKA/7 Boise, VHO/7 Murtaugh and ZRC/7 Homedale were among the high scorers. BDL has just built a 16-tube super receiver. GMC was robbed of his mobile antenna. VQC has a

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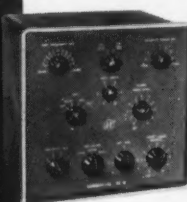
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**MONTANA**—SCM, Vernon L. Phillips, W7NPV/WX1—SEC: KUH, PAM: EOJ, RM: KGJ. The Montana Phone Net meets Mon.-Wed.-Fri. at 1800 on 3910 kc. Field Day was a record-breaker on all counts with about 150 Montana amateurs participating. Ham picnics also held the spotlight with one in the Gallatin Canyon June 2, one at Scooby and one at Harlowton on June 9, and one at Fishtail on June 30. New calls in Billings: W7HVS, K7AHU, and KN7s ABV, AER, AES, AET, AEC, AEY, AEZ and AFJ. BJV moved from Harlowton to Butte. MBV moved from Power to Big Coulee, near Ryegeat. QEL moved from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, to Missoula. BGX attended the National Boy Scout Jamboree. WIB is spending the summer at Ballantine. BMI visited in Minneapolis. DWJ and LBK attended National Guard Camp at Helena. QYA vacationed in California. AYQ vacationed in Yellowstone Park. IWW vacationed in California. CPY has a new tri-band beam. Recent appointment: DWJ as OBS. Traffic: W7TRU 13, YFN 12, OIQ 10, MQI 9, NPV 9, CQC 6, UWY 5, OIP 4, YQZ 2.

**OREGON**—SCM, Hubert R. McNally, W7JDX—Your new SCM greets all of you with the hope we can all work together toward an ever-growing operation. QYS will continue as SEC. We have no RM or PAM as yet but are looking for same. We need more OESs; any of you who are interested in v.h.f. just advise the SCM. His address is 11908 S.E. Madison St., Portland 16. Phone number is AL 4-3508. That includes Novices also. Your SCM hopes to be able to visit all of the clubs during the year, so be on the lookout for him as he is a traveling man. Any clubs desiring to nominate members for appointments can advise the SCM and he will handle. Field Day was a success in Oregon; the weather was generally good and reports indicate lots of fun. Reports are in from the Portland Radio Club with 23 operators, the Tualatin Valley RC with 15 operators, the Oregonian ARS with 21 operators, the McMinnville RC with 8 operators, the Salem ARC with 4 operators, the Tillamook RC with 6 operators, the Albany RC with 7 operators, the Central Oregon RC with 22 operators and the Coos County RC with 15 operators. Also many individuals reported, such as OLU, SMR, WHE, KII, BJJ and EJO. The SCM is trying to get a line on OSN and RNT for more c.w. information. The Portland Radio Club plans an installation on top of 11,200-ft. Mt. Hood for the V.H.F. Contest. OZL, HVX, UYT, ZHR and VLE are arranging the trip. They expect to be on 2 and 6 meters and 420 Mc. Traffic: W7APF 701, ENU 86, JDX 41, OLU 25.

**WASHINGTON**—SCM, Victor S. Gish, W7FHX—FAW is putting up a new 20-meter antenna. K7FAE has confirmations from KV4, GM3, GW3, V81, PA8 and YU1—had a nice letter and picture from YU1UB, who is looking for W7s on 20-meter c.w. PGY is complaining of rotten band conditions. WAH is back on the nets full blast again. USO is mobiling on 2 meters while on vacation through Idaho, Utah and Colorado. AIB still is working on a super dupex shack. BXII reports the "YL-to-be" problem looking good—otherwise things are quiet. AMC still is complaining of chores taking him away from hamming. JC says "QRL work." LVB reports the DX-35 is working FB. EVW is rebuilding mobile for use in the new car he recently drove back from Detroit. W7TEU worked 13 states, KH6 and KL7. The best was KN3AFZ, in Pennsylvania. Will be glad to take Everett traffic if the boys will QSY to the Novice band. OCA resigned as EC of Pierce County. DWW now is Acting EC. DIT got his General Class license the day after Field Day. DJW got his same day. PXA, out for Field Day with the Spokane Club, worked the 15-meter A3 position with WVA, ULS, OPR, URZ and others. He now checks into the Montana Net Mon. and Fri. Response for Emergency Coordinators to represent each club in the section was nil with the exception of Walla Walla. WQD is busy on the MARS Traffic Net. QHI is signing 7 for a while. BA, K7FAE, PGY, VAZ, K7WAT and K7FBN made BPJ. Traffic for June was just a little better than half of that for May. The WARTS Net held its annual picnic at Lake Wenatchee July 13 and 14. KN7AEJ is a new Novice in Vancouver—this is the first "KN7" call we have noted. Don will be on with a DX-35 and National receiver soon. Please get your reports in by the seventh of each month. Traffic: W7BA 246, K7FAE 132, W7PGY 889, VAZ 641, K7WAT 630, FBN 193, W7WAH 122, FRU 78.

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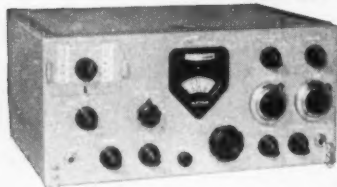


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**PACIFIC DIVISION**

**NEVADA**—SCM, Albert R. Chin, W7JLV—SEC: JU. The NARA held its Field Day near Virginia City on Geiger Summit. Nineteen operators were present with nine AREC members. 6MAO, ex-7JTA, of Sparks and a few years back and his family were house guests of your SCM over the Fourth. Your SCM attended the AFCC Conference in Florida, which also was attended by CX, of Reno. Herb passes his regards to the gang. CX now is operating a new HT-32. MAH has completed a new 6-meter converter and soon will be on 6 meters to join CX and JLV to take advantage of the openings. THH is on the air at Gabbs using a Viking II and Globe King 900B. The receiver is a TMC GPR-90. This report is short because of too much travel and not enough information. Keep it coming.

**SANTA CLARA VALLEY**—SCM, G. Donald Eberlein, W6YHM—Asst. SCM: Roy E. Pinkham, 6BPT. SEC: NVO. RM: ZRJ. PAMs: OFJ and WGO. K6DYX made the BPL. K6GZ made the BPL on originsations for the second month. Bob is a member of the MATN, taking traffic from MARS and filing on the NTS nets. The Monterey Bay Radio Club installed the following new officers in June: K6DYX, pres.; UJA, vice-pres.; K6IEC, secy. MTN installed the following officers for the coming year on June 16 at its roundup in Watsonville: RHA, pres.; HUW, vice-pres. and traffic director. HC and YHM were visitors at the June meeting of the MBRC. Harry and Don gave the gang up-to-date information on happenings at Headquarters. QPQ is on with a new Valiant. MKD is heard on 144 Mc. HYN checks in on the MBRC Mon. Night Net. AOD expects to return soon from New York. SHT is operating on 144 Mc. K6JAW is planning on going to KL7-Land. K6CXT graduated from high school and soon may go into the service. K6DYX, MBRC pres., plans to start transmitter hunts as a part of the club meetings. K6BBD enjoys the transmitter hunts put on by the SCCARA before each club meeting. PLG reports a good time was had operating with the Field Day gang above Saratoga. HC is cleaning weeds and grass from his back yard getting ready to put up a tower for his antenna. KIN reports several openings on 56 Mc. during the last two months. There still is need for c.w. operators to take part in RN6 and NCN. These nets meet on 3615 and 3635 kc., respectively. If interested, contact HC. Traffic: (June) K6DYX 535, GZ 472, W6PLG 364, JCG 196, BPT 158, FON 48, K6HGV 25, W6YHM 23, OII 20, K6BBD 4, W6HC 4. (May) W6FON 28.

**EAST BAY**—SCM, Roger L. Wixson, W6FDJ—First of all I would like to apologize for not getting the column out last month. My only excuse is that of being out of town on business and participating in a rebuilding program here at the home QTH. I am hoping that I can get down to business and do a better job as SCM. My term is up this fall so some of you eager beavers should be thinking it over. June meetings echoed with Field Day talk and from the activity reports it looked like everyone got in the act. Other meetings held in June included that of the East Bay Club with VEZAGE giving a talk on the Dew Line (Distant Early Warning). Tom showed colored slides illustrating his talk. The regular meeting of the SARO was held at the Bow and Bell Restaurant. The topic of discussion was Field Day. It turned out that some of the boys had arranged to get three cabooses on a siding near Newark for a Field Day spot. From what I heard over the air they seemed to be having a swell time. The Oakland Radio Club, Inc., held its Field Day in the Oakland Hills in the Sequoia Arena. MFZ did a fine job getting the group together. CAN, of Napa, is doing a splendid job as SEC. It seems that he isn't getting much help from the boys in the Bay Area. I know what a job it is to get this help but hope we can do something about it soon. Keep up the good work, Wayne. Thanks to Major Forbes for taking the time to send in his station activity report. For the month of May K6GK handled a total of 508 and for June 295. We would like to see more of this kind of traffic work. We hope to get back into the swing of things next month.

**SAN FRANCISCO**—SCM, Walter A. Buckley, W6GGC—Asst. SCMs: Fred H. Laubscher, 60PL; William T. Nakamura, 6GHL. SEC: KZF. EC: HYN. The Far West Radio Club has been formed in Fortuna with BJO, pres.; K6RFE, vice-pres.; K6VGZ, secy-treas. and K6EKC act. mgr. Club membership as of June 30 was 22 members. Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Fri. nights of the month in the hall above the fire and police department. Approximately 100 contacts were made by the club station on Field Day. The Humboldt Radio Club lists a new call WNEFCO, and FYL is

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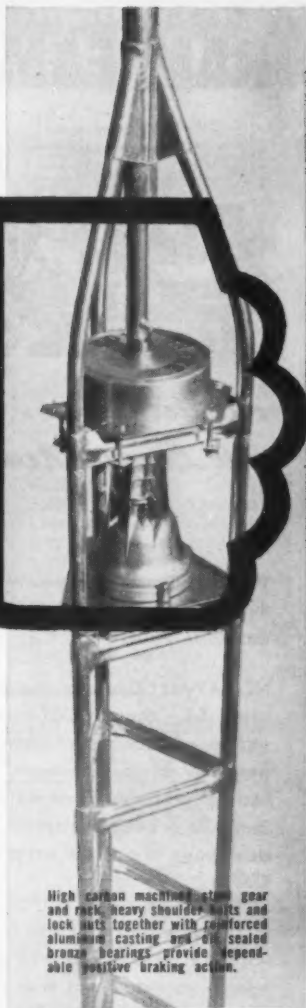
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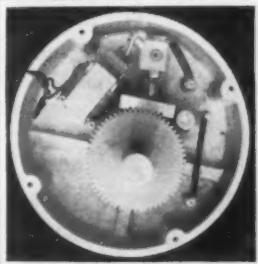
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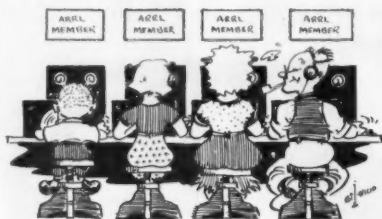
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moving back to W7-Land. Condolences to BJO and RQX on the tragic death of their 17-month-old grandson and nephew. Sorry to report a Silent Key listing for LWV. Fred Newbauer was one of the San Francisco Naval Shipyard Club charter members and an old-time member in HAMS and the San Francisco Radio Club. FEA says that WJF is now home from the hospital and although the doctor says he will not be able to return to work for some months to come, Gertie writes that Clare is showing improvement each day. Best wishes for a speedy return to the air, OM. The gang certainly misses you. The San Francisco Radio Club had its usual big turnout of fellows on Field Day as did the Band Spawner's Radio Club. GCW now has over 10,000 contacts on c.w. and has filled 19 log books in 8½ years. CXO reported the following stations were heard in "CQ's Save 11 Contest" June 8 and 9: HRW, CXO, K6OHJ, ONL, K6OPI, K6UHE, ZBS and GGC. K6HWI reported for the Air Force 6/24 after putting in many hours to help on Field Day with the San Francisco Club. FVK was transferred to Chichi Jima in the Bonin Islands and will have full charge of all electronics plus the "ham shack." Congratulations to SDN on his new son. GGC's YL Rae was nurse in attendance at the birth. GCV was busily handling messages for the "Qantas Airline Pilots" when they were recently stranded in San Francisco because of a company strike. QMO reports the new dipole on 40 meters works very well. She and K6HIW were busy ladies on the air during Field Day. Another of the San Francisco Ladies' Club members, QPD, has been very busy with her assignment as chairman of the committee of ham radio operators acting as part of the radio network on the cross-country flight from San Carlos to Philadelphia of the "Powder Mill Derby." Traffic: W6QMO 159, GCV 32, JWF 16, GGC 16, GHI 14, BIP 12.

**SACRAMENTO VALLEY**—SCM, LeVaughn Shipley, K6CFF—The clubs of Sacramento County participated in local competition on Field Day with an engraved trophy being awarded to the winning club. The Radio Amateur Mobile Society took first place followed by MARS, Sacramento, Aerojet, and our new YL club, the Camellia Capital Chirps. HIR, president of the RAMS, says it was done with antennas. They used co-linear arrays which were oriented N-S/E-W. Two feed lines and matching transformers enabled immediate switching. The RAMS will issue special commemorative QSL cards to all stations worked. Congratulations, fellows. The SCM received Field Day messages from most clubs. At this writing however no news of activities has been received from the northern part of our section. KN6SXA (now K6SXA) won first place nationally in the last Novice Roundup—see July QST. Jim also is a newly-appointed ORS. Two-meter activity in the section is terrific—e.d., RAMS, MARS and even W6TOL! Sacramento has about 12 stations on 6 meters. Anyone interested in 220 Mc., contact QAC. Pat, K6HOI, and Colleen, K6PWH, both of the CCC, contacted the *Flying Enterprise* on 15-meter phone. They plan to share the QSL card. Hi. Don't look for it in QST unless you have sent the information to your SCM. All reports must reach the SCM before the 4th of each month. Traffic: K6SXA 134, KN6YBV 33.

**SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY**—SCM, Ralph Saroyan, W6JPU—The Fresno Amateur Radio Club held its Field Day at Auberry, Calif., and had 20 operators and made over 500 contacts. The Tullock Amateur Radio Club held its Field Day on Mt. Elizabeth and made over 700 contacts. The Stockton Radio Club held its Field Day in the Stockton Stadium and had 8 amateurs participating. The Madera County Amateur Radio Club held its Field Day near Raymond, Calif., with 7 operators. While coming back from New York AOW wrecked his car in Tulsa. The family and rig came out in fine shape, but the car was a total wreck. NTV has a 100-ft. tower for his high-frequency antennas. HYZ is on all bands with a Viking at his new QTH. K6LTP has a new 6-meter rig with an 829 in the final. K6RYU has a 15-meter beam. NTV has a new HT-32 on 40-meter s.s.b. KN6ZCD was in charge of the Novices during Field Day. K6GOX has worked 37 states on 6 meters. DIY has a new SX-101. PXP has an ART-13 installed in his pickup. Summer and vacations have cut down activity but, fellows, please send in the reports. These reports are important to all of us. Hope all of you had a nice vacation and came back full of vim and vigor. Remember, the Fresno Radio Club meets the 2nd Fri. of each month in the PG&E Building, 10th floor. Traffic: W6ADB 36, EBL 36, K6RPM 2.

## ROANOKE DIVISION

**NORTH CAROLINA**—SCM, B. Riley Fowler, W4RRH—SEC: ZG. PAM: DRC. June was Field Day month with the amateurs. The following clubs par-

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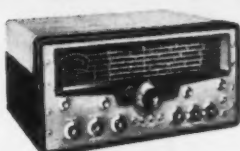
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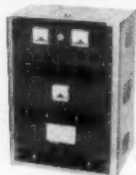
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**SOUTH CAROLINA**—SCM, Bryson L. McGraw, W4HMG-K4BUF and the clothesline antenna are doing FB in Charleston with only 18 watts. 3CCE now is K4POP. 2BHS/4 now is 2-meter NCS for the most of the Area. K4IAB has fine 2-meter s.s.b. signals. K4PJE gave a fine talk to the Georgetown Rotary Club on ham radio. K4EWC, with his 50-watt plus an all-band antenna, is doing a fine job. K4OGE is the proud owner of a new 5-kw. gas generator. Congrats to K4MWZ on his fine, unselfish, traffic-handling. K4CUH, with an 813 and cubical quad, is working ZLs by the dozens. TYS now has a full gallon s.s.b. signal on a pair of 4-123As. We are sorry to lose K4ANI and K4ALM. Bob and Lucy, who are moving to Texas, OAK still is in a cist with two broken legs but is active on 75-meter phone. Shaw-Sumter reports: CJD handles FB traffic on 80 meters and is active with the SCN. C.W. gang, 361 contacts were made on Field Day. DWJ is off phone until he gets his c.w. speed to 20 w.p.m. GIF has a dandy custom mobile for 10 meters. The "Save Eleven" found EJR, GCB, GIE and EYV all getting in good lies. K4GHT and others are off to a nice start with a new club in the Conway Area. The Palmetto Club is minus its 20-meter beam because of high winds. Thanks to ZYV, CAL and many others on the WY Watch with regards to the Aiken, Edgfield incident. Many clubs report fine Field Day scores. GAT, EGI and AVU at Travis AFB were on SCNG maneuvers keeping daily skeds with home vin HDR and others. ZRH and AH report approval of the State RACES plan. Congrats to K4BVX on the nice job as NCS for the S. Car. C.W. Net. AKC, our RM, reports 30 members now are active on the C.W. Net, most of them holders of ORS appointments. NOTICE: While being SCM has been one of the highest honors of my life. I think someone else should be given a chance in November. Traffic: W4KRC 109, K4EKG 94, GAT 86, W4YAA/8 65, K4JFN 52, HQK 22, HE 16.

**VIRGINIA**—SCM, John Carl Morgan, W4KX—SEC: PAK, Virginia clubs and individual groups did their part in making this a real record Field Day. Field Day messages received by the SCM indicate all hands pitched in across the State. W4VN will furnish Virginia Weather Bureau liaison with the East Coast Emergency Net. NPT, Norfolk NAS Club, now has 2- and 6-meter gear for Novice and Tech. Class operation. FLX reports the Bedford Armory MARS ham station received the call K4WFO. PVA and others in the Prince William Area operated at the County Fair in August. RM LA was gratified at the pick-up in attendance on VN despite poor summer conditions. Peripatetic, IIRAN dropped in on the SCM after working Field Day with K4OQR at KFC's "plantation." BRF maintained a satisfactory sked with his XYL IKA while he visited his folks in Georgia. K4s BYS and EAS took a portable rig along on their vacation at Nags Head, N. C. CVO did his F.Ding with the Newport, R. I. Club and reports K4LPR also was up that way for Field Day. K4AET is rebuilding and wants a good 20-meter signal to work his son, ET2US (W3DAD). JJJ had better look to his certificate-collecting laurels. TFX reports recent additions to his wall include WGS, WAV, WOSA and WASM. K4IQ gleefully tells of ideal conditions during Field Day when many non-ham onlookers were greatly impressed to hear West Coasters being worked with great abandon by the Hingham Club. A headline report via VFN: The VFN/GYN Picnic at Holiday Lake, near Appomattox, was a big success. K4MC was elected to succeed K4AET as Net Mgr. K4ASU was reelected Asst. Net Mgr. and ONV as secy.-treas. Traffic: W4IA 314, K4EKL 295, W4QDY 174, K4AET 132, W4PVA 76, K4UJO 61, W4KX 53, SHJ

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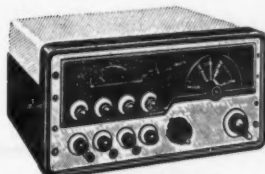


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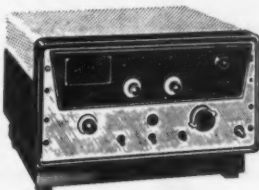
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ceived its certificate of incorporation. K0CEZ, 1A, RRV and others handled the procedure. The Pueblo Amateur Radio Club also received its certificate of incorporation. Officers are DLZ, pres.; and K0DZI, SECY. SHJ has a new Elmac mobile. Glad to hear from TKFV/7. Trapper, K0HFB is working 1DX, along with KTX and K0NBSQ. The Colorado University Radio Club's officers are EHW, pres.; and K0GZU, secy. Field Day Clubs reporting were K0DTK, QPO, K0GEU, BSA, BYE and W0LA. FQK is contacting Sweden and Norway for exchange students. Traffic: W0KQD 278, K0DXF 77, W0NIT 69, QOT 69, K0DCC 64, W0YQ 35, K0CEN 12.

**UTAH**—Acting SCM, John H. Sampson, jr., W7OCX—SEC: GPN, PAM: DTB. Amateurs are invited to participate in the Ogden City-Weber County Emergency Net each Thurs. at 2000 MST on 29.310 Mc. Both the Ogden Amateur Radio Club and the v.h.f. section had new locations this Field Day. OCN has received a MARS Code Proficiency certificate for 30 w.p.m. QDJ spent July in W6-Land. CGW is planning 2-meter mobile operation. LRP is changing the power supply on his Morrow mobile rig to a 400-cycle fan-belt-driven alternator along with a putt-putt engine for portable operation. His idea is to reduce wear and tear on his car engine. During Field Day CGW was elated to work ZL2MU on 10 meters with his low-power mobile rig. Also CGW worked an Arizona station early one morning while an atomic test was in progress at the AEC Nevada Test Site. He reports the test had no effect on communications. SAZ is now on 10 meters. We expect to hear CGW on 2 meters. OCN has been in the hospital but is on his feet now. Traffic: W7OCX 2.

**NEW MEXICO**—SCM, Ray Birsch, W0OZ—SEC: K5DAA, PAM: DVA. Thanks for your vote which helped elect me your new SCM. Your interest and co-operation will help put the New Mexico section on the map. Now that we are part of the Rocky Mountain Division, let's dust off the cobwebs and really get going. IC, Claude Maer, Rocky Mountain Division Director, flew to Albuquerque June 12 to personally welcome us to our new division. Some 75 or more hams were present. CIN, POI and KN5JLU spent Field Day at the Four Corners (the only point in the U.S.A. common to four State Corners). The Sante Fe Radio Club (K5EVO/3) had nine operators out on Field Day. Four AREC members were present. WNT has just put up a 10-meter vertical and is now working all bands 10 to 80 meters. DAA still is working hard for a better net for all New Mexico ECs. The net is called the Echo Charley Net and meets Sun. at 1730 MST on 7245 kc.

**WYOMING**—SCM, James A. Masterson, W7PSO—The Pony Express Net meets Sun. at 0830 on 3920 kc. with PSO and MWS alternating as NCS. The YO CW. Net meets on Mon., Wed. and Fri. at 1800 on 3610 kc. with BHH, DXV and NMW alternating as NCS. DTD recently was appointed EC for Washaki County. PJX and HCA participated in the Powder Puff Derby Net relaying flight information across Wyoming from Salt Lake City, Utah, to North Platte, Nebr. The Sheridan gang handed out Wyoming QSOs on Field Day, operating the club station, GUX/7, in the Big Horn Mountains. Operators included UZR, JMM, TQT, IVL, NJI, IEC, IEG and ITW. NMW reports that heavy summer QRN slowed activity on the YO Net. Now that fall is approaching it is hoped there will be more check-ins on both the YO and Pony Express Nets. In addition to the stations reported last month MNW, YWW, KPV/6, HRM and KUB attended the Rocky Mountain Division Convention in Estes Park, Colo. Traffic: W7YWW 6, NMW 4, GUX 1.

## SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

**ALABAMA**—SCM, Joe A. Shannon, W4MI—SEC: TKL, RM: KIX, PAM: K4AOZ. The coming of summer has brought increased activity license-wise. Welcome to the following: K4APWD, the XYL of WHW, K4PHU, the XYL of K4CFD, HOB passed the General Class exam. AWA's mother passed the General Class Exam. K4IAG got Extra Class, and 1st-Class phone commercial licenses. RTN moved from Kentucky and now is in Jasper. K4GLE has General Class license. I would appreciate a card from all newcomers with their calls. K4BFF has low-power linear for a.s.b. and DDH and CTU are working toward a.s.b. rigs. MI and BLG have 32 states on 6 meters while K4HGS reports 32. Six-meter activity is increasing in the section and Alabama is well represented in all the openings. K4EOG, net manager for AENT (Teenage Net) asks that all teenagers interested meet with them on 3905 kc. daily at 1630. TOI still is having a bushel of trouble with rigs. K4KJD is coping much better with a new HQ-100. HON and HKK made a deal and HKK got the fixed station and HON wound up with

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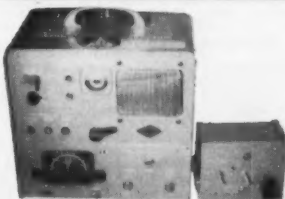
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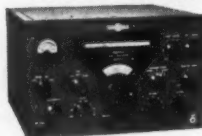


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**EASTERN FLORIDA**—SCM, John F. Porter, W4KJG—SEC: IYT, RM: LAF, PAMs: T and JQ. Section nets: FFTN, 3945 ke, 0700 Mon. through Sat.; FMTN 7230 kc, 12 noon Mon. through Sat.; TPTN, 3945 ke, 1730 daily; FEPN, 3910 ke, 1900 Tues. FSN and FN will resume operation Oct. 1. Let's all support our section nets. Their net managers will be glad to have you. The BARC assisted in handling traffic for the 8th All Woman's International Air Race. The Radiation Amateur Radio Club of Melbourne recently was organized with over 16 active members. A new phone Floridiana YL's Net will be held each Sat. at 1400 EST at 7260 kc. K4CHC is the chairman of the Gainesville TVI Committee. The Manatee County AREC Net meets on 29,500 kc. every other Wed. EDH is the local RO for c.d. The Knights of the Kilocycle on 3910 kc. is maintaining an over-forty average, and meets every Sun. at 0700. Everyone is welcomed. AEP is the new Master Oscillator. The Bahamas Phone Net meets every Sun. at 0930 EST at 7210 kc. Some of the boys at Grand Bahama Island are interested in 2 and 6 meters. A couple of v.h.f. stations are known to exist there and they are looking for contacts. K4IFR has a new Viking 500. K4LQT has a new Globe Champion and SX-88. ARU is a new AREC member in Collier County. WDX is making concrete bones for the beach. Did you know that Jacksonville can work Winter Haven and others around Tampa regularly on 6 meters? TAS received a special award from the Manatee County Red Cross. K4MQC is a new ham at Okaloosa with a DX-35. NAK has a new GPR receiver. K4DHH has a new Ranger. K4DRO now has 82 countries to his credit. KL7AHD now is at Canova Beach. Your SCM and SEC enjoyed a meeting with the Key West Radio Club. Let's all continue our support of Florida Skip. Traffic: (June) W4EHW 223, PZT 179, TAS 82, IYT 81, K4ANJ 59, BNE 39, WITRB/4 31, K4GOZ 19, W4GGQ 13, BWR 14, QCP 13, K4OYB 8, AHW 5, DRO 2, MTP 1. (May) K4KDN 107, GOZ 42, WYFT 27, K4DRO 22, OYB 21, W4OVO 19, KGJ 12, BJI 4.

**WESTERN FLORIDA**—SCM, Edward J. Collins, W4MS/W4RE—SEC: HIZ, EC: MFY, RMs: AXP Es-cambia, BVE Okaloosa. HIZ was busy getting ready for the c.d. exercise. PIQ is enjoying 6-meter mobile operation. HBK raised the beam 10 more feet. GMS is planning a wide-spaced beam for better DX. SPP keeps 10 meters hot. OXB is planning a Yagi in place of the ground plane. K4KIF wants a kw. on 6 meters. UUF has deserted 2 for 6 meters. ODO is adding s.s.b. to the 5100. EQR is building a tower. K4ALF/4 worked all bands from 6 through 80 meters during Field Day. PHQ is awaiting delivery of a Johnson KW. K4HYL has a new RME receiver. PAA still is hunting DX. K4AH's son-in-law is K4PMP. New calls in the area are K4PRZ, K4PSB and K4PJC. DAO/DEF still helps out the newcomers. By the time this appears in QST the following hams will be at Fla. State in Tallahassee: GMS, K4AGM, HBK, ZFL and BGG. W4CCY still is after a crank-up mast. QK meets the Hurricane Net. PQW is heard on 75 meters. K4EHI has finally broken through with an FB signal on 6 meters from Milton. K4KYW keeps things hot on 6 meters from Ferry Pass. OKB and PJP are getting the Sauley Field Ham Club going again. AXP is rebuilding power supplies. K4IYQ is QRL TV repair work. W4UL is building a super-duper 6-meter converter. K4ECP/m is getting a DX-35 for the home 6-meter transmitter. RE has a new radio room nearly ready. VR still pounds out on 7 Mc. K4ADY is in the armed services. UYS is renewing his ticket. K4DDD did a fine job on Field Day. RDC is the new president of the Pensacola Amateur Radio Club. GRO is operating mobile. MUX sticks to 7 Mc. ZPN keeps skulls with his son. QOW is doing an FB job with low power. K4OWY is getting moving the big opening on 6 meters. K4AGM now has 82 states on 6 meters. JPD is putting up trap antennas. K1BRI is looking for the local gang on 15 meters. K4LQC operates 15 meters late at night. UCY stays loyal to 10 meters. K4IVD operates 6 meters fixed and mobile. JLW is building a new home on Santa Rosa Island. We hear rumors that NOZ is moving to town. DHP is QRL 16mm. movies. YRF operates when work and school permit. ZUN is letting dust gather on the rig. RKH is heard on 75 meters. Ex-FWY has returned to Pensy after 16 years and is

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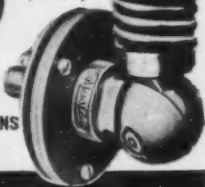
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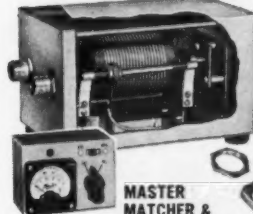
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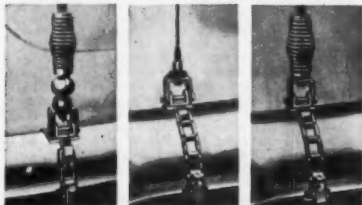
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Commandant of Corry Field. K4PIN is planning a fixed antenna for mobile operations. IIF is another newcomer to the area. M8 finally worked Georgia on 6 meters for state No. 42. HQG does an FB job on 75 meters. How about some dope from Panama City, Tallahassee and Marianna?

**GEORGIA**—SCM, William F. Kennedy, W4CFJ—SEC: K4AUM. PAMs: LXE and ACH. RM: PIM. GCEN meets on 3995 kc. at 1830 EST Tue. and Thurs. and at 0800 EST Sun.; ATLCW on 7150 kc. at 2100 EST Sun.; GSN on 3595 kc. Mon. through Fri. at 1900 EST with PIM as NC; the 75-meter Mobile Phone net on 3995 kc. each Sun. at 1330 EST with UHH as NC; the Atlanta Ten-Meter Phone Net on 29.6 Mc. each Sun. at 2200 EST with VHW as NC. It sure was nice to get reports from 22 clubs in Georgia that participated in Field Day. The Cherokee Amateur Radio Club of Dalton elected K4CJ, pres.; K4CIR, vice-pres.; HJO, act. mgr.; K4PNP, secy.-treas.; K4RMB, pub. director. It was a pleasure to meet with the Dalton Club recently. KN4OQY is a new Novice in Cedartown. We were very happy to present the new charter of reorganization of the Albany Radio Club on June 28. ETD transmitted 47 bulletins in 18 days on s.s.c., c.w. and a.m. on four frequencies. K4COG 1QQ is DL4AB installed in the car. FGH (BXV, 2nd operator) worked 485 stations in Field Day. K4CFO won a scholarship and is going to Emory in the Fall. K4CSL is enjoying 75-meter phone. KN4QCE is a new Novice in Forsyth. K4DWF has up a new 80-meter antenna. K4HOU is doing research at Emory U. during the summer. K4ADU is DL4BL now DL4AB. IPL has a new QTH and new antennas. WAWKP has a new C.E. 600L is on the air now and is putting up new antennas for all bands. ZD has a new 15-meter antenna and is getting good results. Had a wonderful visit with BQT, K4INN, ETD, LVE and others in Valdosta recently. GSN is increasing each month with many new members. CH is EC for Wilcox, Ben Hill and Turner Counties. VWO is EC for Telfair County. YEK is EC for Fulton and DeKalb Counties. Traffic: K4LVE 156, W4PIM 135, K4MCL 85, W4ETD 60, K4CSL 45, W4BXV 17, K4BAI 15, DWF 10, W4ZD 10, K4GNO 6, CFO 5, CFN 4, HOU 4, W4MVZ 3.

**WEST INDIES**—SCM, William Werner, KP4DJ—SEC: AAA. HZ resigned as SEC and has been replaced by KP4AAA. If you have not yet received an AREC registration form, contact AAA, DJ or your local EC. The NCS of the P.R. Amateur Emergency Net is now operating from the new police headquarters building in Hato Rey with the call KP4DC using a Viking KW and NC-300 receiver. The present staff of operators includes DC, DJ, SZ, AAA, AAM, ABA and ACQ. If you would like to join our staff visit us Wed. at 7 p.m. New net time is now 7 p.m. instead of 8 p.m. AAM, AFROTC Radio Club president, has been appointed EC for the San Juan District. ABN is Asst. EC for v.h.f. activities. The recently-formed Mayaguez Amateur Radio Club announces a certificate award for contacting ten stations in the Mayaguez District. Certificate No. 1 was won by WT, No. 2 by HG and No. 3 by KV4BA. Send cards to the secretary, KP4HG, F-18-A, Mayaguez Terrace, Mayaguez, P.R. The UPR AFROTC Amateur Radio Club and the Colegio San Jose Radio Club will co-sponsor the "Worked Ten Puerto Rican Novices Contest" to be held Sept. 8, 13, 22 and 29, using the 15-meter band between noon and midnight of these dates. Send calls of stations worked to Dept. of Air Science, Air Force ROTC Det. 755, UPR, Rio Piedras, P.R. The UPR Radio Club, as part of AFROTC, has been assigned the call KP4FAE. AED advises that KP4NY, the Colegio San Jose Radio Club station, now has 10- and 15-meter beams fed by the Globe King 500A. AED is using an A-1 and simple modulator from a mountain-top location called "Guinea" to report into the 3925-kc. Net. KV4BA is MARS AH2BY in St. Thomas, V.I. W2GRM, ex-DL4OR, is now located at Fort Brooke and will be on s.s.b. using a BW-5100 and an a.s.b. generator driving a pair of 4-400As. KV4BV is on 20 meters with a TB8-50 and dipole. KV4BV is Assistant District Attorney for St. Thomas. KV4BA has a new 75-m. 4. KP4AEB is a new station at Hudingcno. AJN, at Isabella, is operator at MARS KP4FAC at Ramey AFB. KP4ABA and KV4BD participated in an 11-meter contest on June 9. KP4BR transferred to Arinc at Denver. W3UGO/KP4 and W4LEV/KP4, at Vieques Island Marine Corp Maneuvers, have returned to Paris Island, V.R., trustee of AJH at Colegio Poncoño Amateur Radio Club is trying to get a binding waves off the coax feeder from the Tri-bander beam. RF stays in the DX-100 transmitter. YD is on 3925 kc. after putting back up the coax-fed antenna. AAA has a B29 prop-pitch motor to turn his two-element 20-meter beam. WD has a new prop-pitch rotator to

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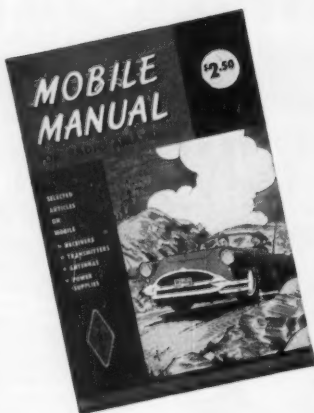
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turn his three-element 20-meter beam. RD now has an HRO-60 alongside the 75A-3. RC ordered an SX-101 receiver. MS has a 600L amplifier. ES sold the BW-5100B, 31SB generator and L1000A amplifier and now has a KWSL. The UPR AFROTC Amateur Radio Club held Field Day exercises at Punta Salinas using the call KP4US/KP4. On Field Day the Ramey AFB Amateur Radio Club had 12 operators working 4 bands using the call KP4UY/KP4 at Ramey AFB. The Mayaguez Amateur Radio Club had eleven operators at a location between Añasco and Rincon. The British hurricane guard ship, the Royal weather ship *Victory Bay*, checks in on the 3815-ke. Antilles Net. The West Indies Rag-chewing Club meets daily at 9:30 a.m. between 7125 and 7175 ke. VP2VB, of Yamee fame, overnights in San Juan at the QTH of KP4KD on his way to visit KV4AA. St. Thomas, on June 17, HG, Mayaguez ARC secy., sends a program of the club's July activities. A new station at a strategic location is KP4AHL, on Vieques Island to the east of Puerto Rico. WV4RW is a new Novice at St. Thomas using a DX-20 on 40 meters. ABA replaced 17 condensers in his HRO. ABW is coordinator between CAP and c.d. Traffic: KP4WT 85, DJ 4, AAA 2, US 1, UY 1.

**CANAL ZONE—SCM, P. A. White, KZ3WA**—The Canal Zone Amateur Radio Association's Field Day station made 600 contacts, of which 477 were on 15 meters, in spite of the fact that one of the two transmitters broke down for five hours. VR worked W9PNF, ex-KZ3WJ, on July 4 and found KZ3RM and KA there with K4AEE. They were expecting ex-KZ3s BD and DW to arrive that evening for an old-fashioned Canal Zone get-together. VR worked KH6AGB for their 119th QSO in July and is awaiting the arrival of the gilt-edged QSL card promised by Vic. J8 is on leave in Florida and Georgia with his family. DH is on leave in New England with his son. XL who is studying for her Master's Degree in teaching. WZ has returned from leave and now has four 6AG7s in grounded grid running 200 watts a.s.b. Ex-CF reports through JJ that he has just completed temporary duty at "Lost Wages, Nev." A new operator is RJ. Traffic: KZ3VR 72, WA 15.

## SOUTHWESTERN DIVISION

**LOS ANGELES—SCM, Albert F. Hill, jr., W6JQB**—SEC: LIP, RMs. BHG and GJP. PAMs: K6BWD and ORS. Field Day turnout looked bigger and better than ever before. Congrats to GYH and K6MCA, who made BPL this month. K6ETK and K6GGS are new Emergency Coordinators. DX is going great guns. RW received a card from FW8AA. K6ICS is working South Americans. K6IYJ has 15- and 20-meter beams up. K6COP worked CR7AH. NJU put up a new three-element 20-meter beam. K6QDQ now is Chief NCS of ALN2. K6UYK is QRL with glider soaring and glider meet. K6MON made GMTIC. Congrats, Bud. MEP is putting a 420-Mc. repeater station on the air. K6HVC is expecting her 5th harmonic. Congrats, Marge. OLZ is organizing c.d. in Hawthorne. New officers of Rio Hondo Radio Club are K6ACF, pres. (first YL pres.); K6RIP, vice-pres.; K6RTG, secy.; USC, treas. Public Service awards were received by INH, USY and JQB. CMN is busy with QSL printing. BHG is keeping SCN running in fine shape. K6UUF has a new KWS-1 and a 75A-4. QR is opening a ham parts house in Hemet. Support your section net. SCN, 2600 kc, 1930 PDT daily. Traffic: (June) W6GYH 635, K6MCA 570, MON 260, OZJ 232, COP 147, GOK 135, W6BHG 133, INH 103, VSH 84, K6QDQ 64, W6ORS 37, K6HVC 31, EA 26, GUZ 22, W6BUK 18, K6PLW 16, DDO 10, GTG 10, W6USY 8, OLZ 7, MEP 6, K6HOV 4, ICS 4, W6YSK 4, BEQ 2. (May) K6LVL 78.

**ARIZONA—SCM, Cameron A. Allen, W7OIF—SEC:** YWF. PAM Arizona Emergency Net: ASI. PAM Grand Canyon Net: LUJ. Both nets were quite active all through June. FKK is active both on c.w. and RTTY and keeps plenty of traffic moving. We heard quite a few groups out on Field Day but received reports from only four. MAL and gang were on Mt. Union. UCA and the Mesa gang were lost in the woods but they kept things humming anyhow. The Arizona Amateur Radio Club of Phoenix was on. Mt. YBZ has been moved to a hospital in Los Angeles. Listen on 3865 kc. for the latest bulletins on him. Traffic: W7FKK 224, YWF 22, OIF 8, CAF 6.

**SAN DIEGO—SCM, Don Stansifer, W6LRU**—New officers of the Convair Club are K6IAF, pres.; 7WYL, vice-pres.; K6QXN, secy.; K6EDA, treas. New officers of the Coronado Club are K6SQC, pres.; JVA, vice-pres.; HQC, secy.-treas.; NLK, corr. secy. K6PZE is a new member of the Helix Club. A welcomed visitor and operator with the Helix Club during Field Day was Hal Devos, ex-MI, who is now KLTME with the FCC in Alaska. VETAFO now lives in San Diego. FWF

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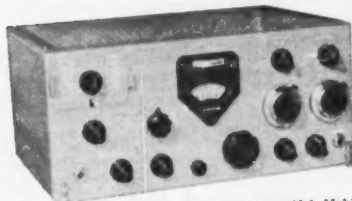
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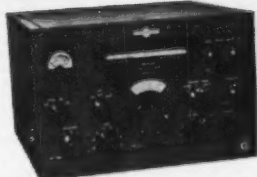
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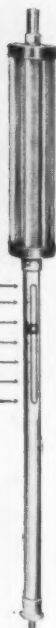
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vacationed in Washington and Oregon. Don't forget the Annual Upper Ten Picnic to be held at Glenn County Park, Cardiff, Sept. 15. New members of the North Shores Club include VE7AFO, W5TFS, W6VEO, KN5JUD, K6AJV and W6STN. New officers of the Robor Communicators include K6LKY as president and KN6STH as vice-president. CAE and WNN again proved their ability in the recent F.M.T. by requalifying as Class 1 Official Observers. K6BTO, OWV and W6LWT continue to lead the gang down here as OESs. OWV worked Santa Barbara on 144 Mc. with a 4-ft. hunk of wire as an antenna. He is building an 882A tripler for 434.7 Mc. LWT has now completed a 4X10 cavity rig for the higher frequencies. KN6VUL now has a twin six antenna on a 40-ft. tower for 144 Mc. EOT, who is RM, EC and ORS, continues to lead the section in traffic-handling for single operator stations, and was awarded the BPL Medallion recently. Congrats to JVA, who was third high in the country on c.w. for Spring CD Party. With school starting soon and most vacations now over, your SCM hopes more clubs and individuals in this section can find time to send news in each month for this column. Traffic: W6EOT 359.

**SANTA BARBARA**—SCM, Mrs. Dorothy E. Wilson, W6REF—Asst. SCM: Bill Farwell, 6QW, SEC: K6CYR, K6SJC has a Technician Class ticket and is working to join her OM, K6SJC, and his twin, K6SJC, with a General Class license. K6QZ and IWD vacationed together in the High Sierras, both mobile. The Paso Robles RC shattered all its previous Field Day records with 885 contacts, 47 states, 8 countries and 67 ARRL sections. AGO and MSG were top scorers. Other operators were ALQ, BRY, FYW, TOP, K6HH, IRT and KN6THT. CMR received a Fresno State College scholarship award. K6OIS is on 40 meters from Yellowstone National Park where his band is playing. WYN and family are QSYing to Kwajalein. CQR is using 818s in Class B linear. K6VMN and KN6CYR are newcomers to Oxnard, Nets: The Peanut Whistle Net, 3850 kc. 0830; the Tri-County Net, 3820 kc. 1200; the Channel Cities Net, 2 meters 1800. Traffic: W6REF 79, QIW 44, PWK 3, JPP 1.

## WEST GULF DIVISION

**NORTHERN TEXAS**—SCM, Ray A. Thacker, W5TEP—Asst. SCM: J. Bruce Craig, 5JQD, SEC: BNG, PAMs: AEX and IWQ. RM: AHC. SFW made WAS on 6 meters. HTH is the proud owner of a new Valiant. AEX and the NT-O continues to show an increase in traffic handled. GPO is now on s.s.b. with a new HT-32. The gang at Waco hosted our SEC at a visit which was very much enjoyed. KN5KR is now on the Novice bands from Sherman. AUJ received a very interesting booklet on Moscow from UABJ. The Highway Department is processing and mailing application blanks to all amateurs who have previously had call letter plates. October 1 again will be the deadline for getting your form back to them for 1958 plates. Act now and avoid the last minute rush! Remember, regulations require that you have a working rig installed in your car in order to enjoy the privilege of displaying call letter plates. It looks very much as if the usual "summer slump" has us in its grip. There was a very great decrease in activity reports, etc., as of this month. Hope everyone enjoys a safe, restful vacation and when the temperature in the oil shack drops back below the 100 degree mark that we will be hearing you on the air again. Please remember to drop us a card or QTC come the end of the month, letting us know what's new from your QTH. Remember, also, official appointment openings exist in all categories. What would you be interested in? Let me know! Traffic: (June) K5WAB 1700, FFB 382, W5AHC 257, K5BKH 217, W5DTA/5 120, TFY 69, K5WAT 56, HTH 4. (May) W5DTA/5 134.

**OKLAHOMA**—Acting SCM, Richard L. Hawkins, W5FEC—Asst. SCM: James R. Booker, 5ADC, SEC: LXH, PAMs: KY and MFN. RM: JXM. As your SCM until a successor to GIQ can be elected I wish to continue the excellent appointments that Ewing made for the various jobs. New officers of the Bluebellie Club are EKA, pres.; K5AOV, vice-pres.; K5BSU, secy-treas. The section was well represented during Field Day but thunderstorms marred the day. VAX is going s.s.b. K5CAY installed a new 5EL Tri-Band beam. Your SCM logged visits from Army reservists ERM and WAY. BLW and SCX had a successful V.H.F. Party atop Mount Scott. K5DLP is hospitalized with a heart attack. Best wishes for a speedy recovery. The Storm Warning Net had a busy month with several twisters over the State. DRZ moved to Yukon. K5JSM is back from military duty. 01EL moved to Vinita. New Novices: KN5KRI and KWL. K5BSU and K5BSV hope to do some mobiling while vacationing in

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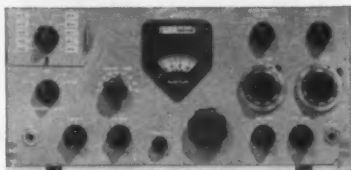
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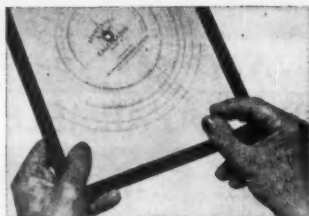
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**SOUTHERN TEXAS**—SCM, Roy K. Eggleston, W5QEM—SEC, QKF, QKF, EV, MSA, LNU and ENT attended the STEN Convention at Kerrville, EV is the new NCS for STEN, with UNE as ANCS. At their business meeting the members voted to register with ARRL after 21 years of operation as an emergency net. KN5KNY and KN5KOM are new Novices in El Paso. KOK has a new pair of 45-ft. antenna poles. K5INM is leaving for Yakima, Wash. I am sorry to report the passing of BYE on June 5. He will be missed in West Texas. OZQ is 2-meter mobile. K5GUH is s.s.b. EJT is working lots of DX on 15 meters with his Ranger. FQA has a complete transistor station. KN5JCC has dropped the "N" from his call. QKF and his XYL visited in Little Rock with RPH and his XYL. Sorry to hear of the passing of ALC. FSS and ZNLY made the first Texas to New Jersey 2-meter contact. ADZ has a new four-element 15-meter beam. ENT visited the Corpus Christi Amateur Radio Club. KN5KNS is a new YL operator in Houston. The boys and girls in East Texas and Louisiana are to be congratulated on the good job they did during and after the passing of Hurricane Audrey. Well done. Traffic: W5DTJ 152, EGD 34.

### CANADIAN DIVISION

**MARITIME**—SCM, D. E. Weeks, VE1WB—Asst. SCM: Aaron Solomon, IOC, SEC: IFH, 30-Mc. activity is on the increase with ZM, KZ and ARC. FSS came from Prince Edward Island and ADH operating from Sable Island, RR has been transferred to Washington, D. C. Bill Sullivan, ex-8DE, is now ITV. 3AHU has been operating from the Gaza Strip and has worked FQ frequently. Requests for QSLs should be addressed to 3AHU, Barrie, Ont. Nearly all Maritime clubs were active during Field Day. All Maritime amateurs regret the sudden passing of XL. UT attended the hamfest at North Bay, Ont. Bernie also attended a recent c.d. course at Arnprior, Ont. ADH and GA have accepted appointments as Emergency Coordinators. Asst. SCM OC recently visited the Truro and Colchester Radio Clubs. Mr. H. H. Brannen has been promoted to the position of District Superintendent of the Radio Branch, Department of Transport, on the retirement of Mr. George Harris. Congratulations to Mr. Brannen and many happy days to Mr. Harris. Traffic: VE1FH 42, ME 16, UT 10, AEB 8, DB 7, OM 5.

**ONTARIO**—SCM, Richard W. Roberts, VE3NG—From all reports, this year's Field Day was one of the best yet. CE is back on after a lengthy absence. AVS visited AZZ in Cochrane. ZR has been active since 1919 and is now in St. Thomas. He is ex-VE2FO. The St. Thomas Club was active in the c.d. (provincial) Operation Alert. BKK has a flying ticket. DXT's XYL, Barbara, is to solo soon. AES is working FB DX on 20 meters with his new W3JK antenna. BUR visited ARRL Headquarters. DH won his WAS and has a new QTH in Ottawa. The Kingston ARC and the Nottawong Club received nice publicity on their Field Day efforts. NE, aboard the Aircraft Carrier *Bonaventure* on her maiden voyage to Canada, was active on 20 meters. AHU/Gaza comes in fine on 20 meters also and was heard working the following: ATU, AML, ARS, AZQ, KT and VE1OC and FQ. Traffic from our boys in Gaza to their folks here at home is heavy. We welcome a new club, the Kapuskasing Amateur Radio Assn., which operated ham gear at the local Hobby Show Aug. 3, 4 and 5. TM is DXing on 20-meter c.w. DQX is doing an FB job as editor of the Metro Club's paper, the *Modulator*. The Peterboro Club supplied the communications for the motorcycle races held there recently. 6HI still is in the Toronto Area. NF visited DVM and ARF/3 at Mazinaw Lake. Your SCM made it to the North Bay Hamfest this year. Hurricane Audrey stepped in and WX was stormy. BBH won the Capt. Morgan Trophy for his swimming ability and costume. The Collins receiver was won by DU, of London. Emergency communications were set up by the SCM and the EC in the Lake Simcoe Area following a tornado that did millions of dollars of damage early in July. Traffic was passed from three mobiles at Keswick to Toronto Civil Defense Headquarters. EC DSM was in control at the lake while NG coordinated the operation from Toronto at the c.d. radio room. The following were active: NG, DSM, BBD, BUT, AWC, YS, NP, GJ, AJA, DZA, AER, DQX, DXT, DUT, AIB and IZ. This was the first joint effort of the AREC and the Metro C.D. of Toronto in a disaster where emergency communications were required. Some of those seen at (Continued on page 148)



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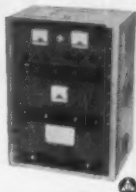
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**MANITOBA**—Acting SCM, James Elliott, VE4LF—Our good friend JA is expected to leave for VO-Land soon. HB has a G09 on 20 meters. SR is now back to work, and spends week ends at Lake Brereton, KL/LO moved to a new QTH July 1 where there will be more room for antennas. NN has been heard with his mobile once since he moved from Saskatchewan. Would like to hear you more often, Larry. MN was a visitor at the last ARLM meeting. Mert brought his jr. operator back to the hospital. We hope he gets well soon. SA is doing an FB job on 80 and 20 meters. WK is leaving for a visit this summer to the U.K. GE, IF and PE returned (loaded with loot) from the Northern Saskatchewan Hamfest. Thanks for a lovely time, gang. The Winnipeg gang has been working overtime preparing for the hamfest, to be held Labor Day week end. Traffic: VE4AY 10, QD 10, GE 6, JY 6, LF 5, AN 4, AG 2, KN 2, HB 1.

## ARRL Model 6-60-90

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show up at 3720 kc. or a bit higher when the receiver is retuned.

Switch the band switch to the 11-meter position and the receiver to either 3.37 or 26.96 Mc. The v.f.o. signal should now be heard when  $C_3$  is adjusted to approximately 25 per cent of maximum capacitance—about 75 on the dial. Tune the receiver to either 3.405 or 27.24 Mc. and rotate  $C_3$  toward minimum capacitance until the signal appears. With the original tank this occurs with about 5 per cent of the capacitance of  $C_3$  in use.

The v.f.o. should now be tuned to 3750 kc. and  $L_1$  in the transmitter adjusted for maximum deflection on the v.t.v.m. If the latter is not used, tune  $L_1$  for maximum final-amplifier grid current. In this case,  $V_3$  must be activated with the excitation control at maximum, and the transmitter switched to 3.5 Mc.—without plate voltage to the final.

Readings that may be expected with the v.t.v.m. and the grid meter are approximately 150 volts and 3.5 ma., respectively. The voltage will fall to 100 volts or so and the current will drop a bit when the v.f.o. is tuned to either 3.5 or 4 Mc. Voltage and current will fall off a good deal more when the v.f.o. is switched to the 11-meter range, but this can be compensated for later on by proper adjustment of  $L_4$  and  $L_9$ .

Alignment of the r.f. exciter at 7 through 28 Mc. may now be checked. If the stages have been previously peaked at the centers of the bands with crystals in use, it should not be necessary to readjust any of the transmitter coils. Of course, it will do no harm to retouch the slug tuning for each stage with the v.f.o. set for harmonics that fall at 7.15 Mc., 14.75 Mc., and so on.

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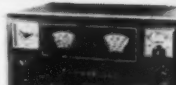
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New parts for the v.f.o. unit — including the Minibox and the dial — will cost approximately \$13.50. Fifteen feet of RG-22/U and a pair of PL-284 plugs run another \$5.00 or so.

### How's DX?

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tions collected by W7CSW's 200 watts and ground-plane VU2G sobs on K20EA's shoulders for a QSL, including XE QSO around 14,015 kc. . . . K1LZ1 finds W6KTE, USMC retired, daily pushing KA5MC's a.s.b. Statesward around 0700 GMT on 20. . . . G2PL and W1WPO have XW8AG's routine as 1200-1800 GMT on 14, 21 or 28 Mc. depending on conditions. This one is expected to remain active into 1958.

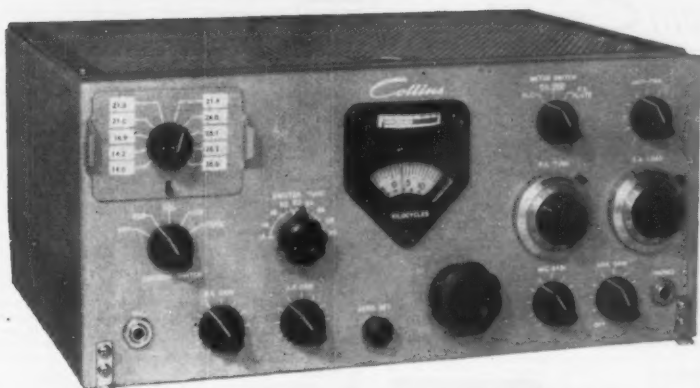
Africa — Casa Strip is neither a burlesque row nor a separate entity on the ARRL DXCC Countries List. From that refugee-ridden area VE3AHU writes: "I operate fixed-portable from Rafah Camp on the 20-meter phone band daily 0100-0400 GMT. Our station, activated May 15th, has an input of 600 watts, 100-per-cent modulated, and we have two aerial arrays at the moment. Main one is a terminated rhombic with 205-ft. legs aimed at Ontario; the other is a Lazy-H array, top elements fifty feet high, beamed at Edmonton, Alberta. Receivers are Collins and we have no trouble making contact back home when the skip is in." VE3AHU is primarily interested in keeping fellow Canadians of the U.N. Expeditionary Force, Middle East, in touch with VE-land. . . . VQ2RG prefers to stay away from it all. "Been here for the last 14 years. The country was pretty wild when I first arrived from Johannesburg but now it is getting too civilized and I think I will be leaving within a year." Bob tells WIICP he hopes to be better prepared for next year's ARRL DX Contest. "I work a terrific number of Yank stations from here and I really enjoy it because they are such good ops." Aw, shucks. . . . Beginning early this spring ZS2HX, a very familiar call to W/K/VE DX hounds, undertook a tour which took him to France, England and the States. On our side he especially enjoyed transcofee QSOs with Ws 2NXO 2ZQC 3THI 8BIQ 8NWO 8PHJ 9BCY 9IRM and K0BFS. "The U. S. A. and the friendliness of your people were almost overwhelming!"

. . . . Pre-ws ex-K5DV credits ET2RH with getting him back into the game. . . . K6LZ1 notes that 5A2TP, regularly audible around 14,020 kc. at 0300-0400 GMT, needs only So. Dak. to complete WAS. At 0500 5A2TP usually unlimbers a 14,310-kc. a.s.b. rig to keep the voice throng happy. . . . W6DZZ stalks Comoros possibility FB8CD at 1445 GMT near 14,070 kc. . . . African DX-peditionary rumbles include such names as A-sension Island (W6HNX & Co.), Ifni (EA9DF and friends), and Bechuanaaland (ZE3JO). . . . VQ9HAY, a week-end 14-Mc. phantom, evidently subscribes to the adage that rare DX should stay rare.

Europe — The Continental DX-peditionary picture looks bright this fall with HA5AM, OK1MB (OK1RSR) and others directing attention to Albania; WA6WT and HA6V concentrating on San Marino; and other adventurers aspiring to spill more Andorra, Monaco, Luxembourg, Svalbard, Alands, Liechtenstein and Corsica QSOs down on the W/K/VE gang. . . . EA6AM, via W6RLP, pleads for a 20-meter New Mexico contact to finish up WAS. YO3FT, another WAS-seeker, pines for Me, Mont., Nev. and R. I. around 14,005 kc. and 0300-0430 GMT according to W1AW's W1WFR. . . . G3CSP's p.p. 807s, unjustifiably accused, are making TVI headlines in the British press. The Sheffield Amateur Radio Club carried the ball up to the parliamentary level in clearing Charlie. . . . GM2DBX's 300-odd QSOs and 3175 points took top honors for Scotland and second high among U.K. participants in last

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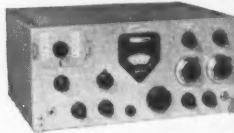
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autumn's RSGB 21- and 28-Mc. phone contest. Of world-wide scope, the 1957 edition of this affair is scheduled for late November. .... W9QVY recently fired up in Kassel as DL4YE to roll up 72 countries and 32 states on 14, 21 and 28 Mc. in just two months. Conversely, W9UNW writes, "Just returned to Wisconsin from Germany where I was an exchange student for the past year operating DL4UP. Had a very good year full of DX and it was a wonderful experience for a 16-year-old. Got DXCC in only seven months running 30 watts!" .... W4HKJ has it that SV0WB will stay put on Rhodes for another year or more. .... Ex-ZC4FB comments on our July "emote!" prologue: "Only the other evening I saw a film in London in which Gs are asked to look out for an illicit station, no frequency given. The illicit is using a pukka-agent RX/TX and the hero is shown receiving with an instrument that is supposed to be a receiver. He is honest; he can't read it, though he behaves like a dog with two tails. He rings his mate and tells him he has found the station required, stating, 'He's sending too fast for an amateur!' (about 5 w.p.m. mixed). The episode closes on a note of authenticity, however. His XYL threatens to throw his set out the window and him with it." Ted's ZL plans fell through out of case shooting for an assignment down VPS way. .... VE2DR returned from a summer visit to Scandinavia where he found the hospitality of SM5s BCE CHG CO OI RQ TK WI and WK most pleasurable. .... W3LMA learns that Svalbard's LA2JE/P expects to remain at the Hopen Island weather station till next July, working 3.5, 7 and 14 Mc. with a 20-watt c.w. rig. Odd's odd duty periodic case rotating ham schedule which shifts from 1200-1500 to 2100-0200 GMT and back again. SP5LM/LA/P also is reported available up Spitzbergen way. .... From SP6XA: I am 46 and active since 1927. I work QRP using four watts to a long-wire and an old-type HRO. I contacted 78 countries and 40 states in the last year with a long-wire. Our PZK association now is an independent one and we hope to re-enter IARU soon." .... The LZ1KPZ staff tells SWL Bill Rice that Bulgarian phone candidates now include LZ1s KAB KBA KDP KPZ KSP VK WD and LZ2KST.

**Whereabouts** — Need Prince Edward Island for your WAVE drapery? W9NLJ/VE1 will be cookin' there on 80 through 10 meters, c.w., a.m. and s.b., between September 26th and October 2nd. Pete intends to hit the bands particularly hard during the WVE Test, September 28th-29th. .... ON4KT reports a huge 21-Mc. signal from YN1FV who uses gear left behind by Stateside-bound YN1BR. .... After a long layoff W7FZA is back at it with a DX-100 driving a 750-watt 304TTL into a Handbook cube quad. He reports a fast rise to 140 countries thanks to a bunch of new ones which were unavailable seven or eight years ago. .... VE3BWY, with DXCC and WAS in Toronto, reminds the new blood that he also holds pre-war WAS and DXCC as G6WY. .... Icelandic items from TF2WBU (W2FGD) dealing with Uncle Sam's boys: TF2s WBM WBQ and WBV sign off, the latter heading for a KG1 assignment. TF2WBU still seeks Mont., Nev., N. Dak., Utah and Wyoming for you-damn-well-know-it.

.... W0WMA, informed by the medics that he's not long for this veil of tears, awaits overdue QSLs from G16VU, OD5DA, UC2KAB, VK9YT, VP6s 2JC 3HAG 8BR and VQ2HJ. .... W7DJU decries excessive testing on wide-open DX bands. "One day I started up at the top of 20, tuned clear through to the bottom and counted six stations holding their keys down or making other tests. To them, some rotten eggs!" .... OT KP4KD takes the floor:

"Big news here at the moment is that my youngest son, Bob, has a Novice ticket, KN4PUJ. Hoping to add the 12-year-old grandson to the list soon! Now we have a father-and-two-sons combo: KP4s KD BJ and KN4PUJ." Ev reports that KP4s JE ZV and ZW have gone north, and that he himself casts about for Utah and Washington to close out his phone WAS effort. .... During this year's ARRL Field Day K6DV had the W6UW/6 gang, including ARRL Pacific Division Director W6HC, enthusiastically racking up transpacific DX from Mt. Hamilton. .... Caribbean notes via W1ZJE: Dominica's VP2DJ, with p.p. 814s and 811s modulating, acts as NCS for the southern leg of the 1815-ke. Antille Weather Net. Many of the local lay gentry keep tabs on ill winds by eavesdropping on this group.

Grenada Radio Club prexy VP2GX assigns stations to regular tours of weather net duty. .... Potomac Valley Radio Club, W4ZM secretary, is donating a year of QST to deserving DX men CT2BO, EA8BF, VP7NM, ZL1MQ, ZP4AY and 4X4BX. PVRC hopes to arrange such presentations annually. .... K6SRZ contemplates an early DXpedition to rare Sierra County, a notorious stopper along the road to WACC. .... Our KL7 brethren and sisters flipped and frolicked at the Second Annual All-Alaska ARRL Hamfest in July, this ball held at Anchorage under AARC auspices. .... W2s EQS HTI and NLQ will sign an FPS call during the middle two weeks of this month, 180 through 10 meters, using c.w., a.m. and s.b. W2HTI will parry QSL thrusts. .... W4WRY wonders how to obtain HR1AT's QSL for a 1954 QSO, while W7FZA hunts data on the present whereabouts of former Andamans' VU2PB and VQ1LQ.

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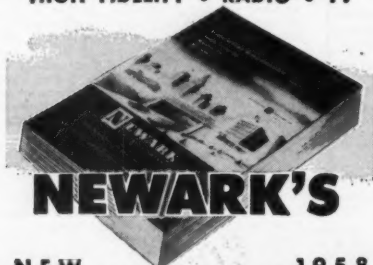
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## YL News and Views

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Oooops! W0KJZ says we were a bit generous in crediting her with six BPL medallions as per the July '57 column. Lydia claims ownership of just one medallion at present, but on the strength of her traffic-handling talents, we predict it won't be long before it's a legitimate six for her.

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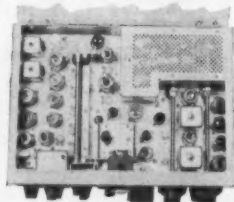
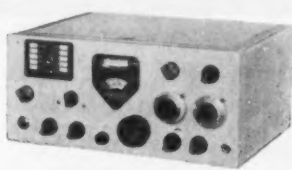
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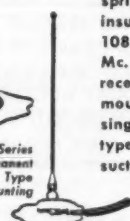
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enabling him to make 56 contacts for 1120 points, a respectable score for a section where local activity is low. W4RMU, Oceanway, Fla., W4ZXI, Greensboro, N. C., W8LPD, Cincinnati, Ohio, K2ITP, Riverton, N. J., your conductor, and a few others made this hard-way method pay off. It brought the W1HDQ section total to 29 on 50 Mc., and we estimate that the use of c.w. on both 50 and 144 Mc. raised our 10,880-point (noncompeting) score by at least 20 per cent.

The summary to follow includes 443 acceptable logs, from 61 ARRL Sections, both all-time highs for June and September V.H.F. Parties.

### SCORES

In the following tabulation, scores are listed by ARRL Divisions and Sections. Unless otherwise noted, the top scorer in each section receives a certificate award. Columns indicate the final score, the number of contacts, the section multiplier, and the bands used. A represents 50 Mc.; B, 144 Mc.; C, 220 Mc.; D, 420 Mc.; and E, 1215 Mc. or higher. Multiple-operator stations are shown at the end of each section tabulation.

#### ATLANTIC DIVISION

*E. Pennsylvania*  
W3TDF, 8505-242-35-ABD  
W3OWW, 1462-86-17-AB  
W3JNC, 1258-74-17-A  
W3CCX, 1170-78-15-AB  
W3ABF, 1134-81-14-A  
W3BXD, 1095-73-15-A  
W3SAO, 1040-104-10-B  
W3AEW, 1026-48-18-ABCD  
W3JBA, 869-79-11-A  
W3UQJ, 748-64-11-AC  
W3OCL, 672-52-12-AB  
W3AMO, 560-70-8-A  
W3BTG, 459-51-9-AB  
W3YWW, 432-48-9-A  
W3IBN, 406-58-7-A  
W3AJD, 320-36-8-AC  
KN3ALJ, 284-71-4-B  
W3JXT, 240-48-5-B  
W3HIX, 228-38-6-B  
W3CHC, 225-25-9-AB  
W3DRF, 222-37-6-B  
W3GZ, 215-43-5-B  
W3BUC, 190-38-5-B  
W3BNR, 140-35-4-B  
W3GCR, 96-32-3-B  
W3KXG, 80-40-2-B  
W3FKJ, 15-15-1-A  
W3AMC, 12-6-2-B  
W3KX, 9 (11 ops.)  
19,872-398-46-ABCD  
W3KKN, (W3s KKN VIB)  
15,824-518-46-ABCD  
W3LXM, (5 ops.)  
6870-229-30-AB  
W3UCA, 3 (10 ops.)  
6656-256-26-AB  
W3OLV, 3 (W3s OLV OSA)  
1946-139-14-B  
K6IBY, 3 (W3s ESC FVV,  
K6IBY, 3 (1260-90-14-A)  
W3WKR, 3 (W3s FHP TEB  
WKR W3MIU)  
756-84-9-AB

#### Md.-Del.-D. C.

W3CGV, 2737-114-23-ABCD  
W3UCR, 1443-111-13-AB  
W3BGC, 1300-77-17-AB  
W3LMC, 1199-108-11-BD  
W3GKP, 996-83-12-B  
W3PYW, 670-62-10-B  
W3JXN, 610-61-10-A  
W3MAR, 580-58-10-A  
W3OTC, 429-39-11-A  
W3LFN, 392-56-7-A  
W3HB, 225-45-5-B  
W3TFA, 123-41-3-B  
W3ILS, 96-16-6-A  
W3MBZ, 3 (7 ops.)  
320-64-5-B

#### S. New Jersey

K2JYX, 4860-162-30-AB  
W2BLV, 1106-75-14-BD  
W2UBR, 1078-77-14-A  
W2ADA, 912-48-19-AB  
K2BWR, 324-27-12-A  
K2KFJ, 255-51-5-B

#### K2ITP (K2s ITP ITQ)

*Western New York*  
W2BOL, 940-94-10-B  
W2VCI, 680-85-8-AB  
W2LXE, 600-100-6-B  
W28OK, 600-75-8-AB  
W2QNA, 518-72-7-ABCD  
K2DPV, 476-68-7-AB  
W2BLN, 2,332-32-11-A  
K2SLV, 280-28-10-A  
W2PST, 264-44-6-AB  
W2TKO, 204-51-4-B  
K2PEY, 117-39-3-AB  
W2GBN, 2,108-18-6-B  
K2QIG, 102-34-3-B  
K2VYH, 102-34-3-A  
W2MYN, 96-48-2-B  
K2LNC, 90-42-2-B  
VE3FT, W2,52-26-2-A  
K2CUQ, 30-10-3-AB  
K2YGC, 14-14-1-B  
K2YIH, 11-11-1-A  
K2KSB, 9-9-1-B  
K2TOR, 1-1-1-A  
W2SPU, 2 (11 ops.)  
8547-253-33-ABC  
W2ALL, 2 (W2s ALL JTE,  
K2s CEF HT)  
5874-178-33-AB  
W2WZR, 2 (10 ops.)  
4648-164-28-ABC  
W2JGJ, (W2s MTA OPT)  
2912-107-26-ABC  
W2TCU, 2 (16 ops.)  
1534-119-13-AB  
K2ERQ, (W2YLM, K2TOL)  
1140-76-15-A  
W2FRL, (W2FRL, K2EGB,  
K2YDZ), 462-66-7-AB  
W2ELX, 2 (W2s ELX QY  
YIE), 378-42-9-B

#### W. Pennsylvania

W3FPH, 1976-104-19-AB  
W3TIF, 440-40-11-A  
W3LNA, 420-60-7-B  
W3EBH, 414-46-9-A  
W3MSR, 3, 60-15-4-B  
W3PFE, 50-10-5-B  
W3DEK, 3 (W3s DEK IHF)  
540-60-9-A  
W3CRZ, (W3s CRZ FAZ  
HMX), 264-44-6-A

#### CENTRAL DIVISION

##### Illinois

W9ROS, 2608-162-16-A  
W9ALD, 1955-115-17-AB  
W9QKM, 1620-108-15-AB  
W9AAG, 630-35-18-AB  
W9ACM, 572-50-11-ABD  
W9HFR, 570-38-15-A  
W9PRP, 378-54-7-B  
K9HNB, 369-41-9-A  
K9BDI, 364-52-7-A  
W9DRN, 324-36-9-AB  
K9BHI, 255-51-5-B  
K9DHF, 232-42-6-A  
W9CT, 150-30-5-B

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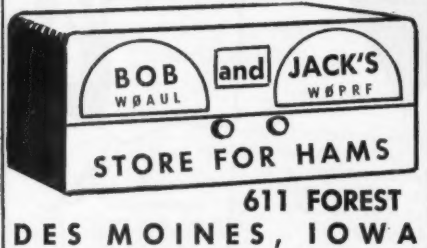
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K2WJT/9 . . . 416-26-16-A

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W8NOH . . . 2940-105-28-AB  
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W8ZCJ . . . 2058-97-21-ABD  
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W8URO . . . 1080-135-8-B  
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W8ARR . . . 820-78-10-ABD  
W8VRH . . . 318-53-6-B  
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K8CZF . . . 276-46-6-A

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K8NDOW . . . 170-34-5-B  
W8PFX . . . 105-15-7-A  
W8BMO . . . 90-32-3-ABC  
K8SDE . . . 90-30-3-A  
K8SCTM . . . 75-25-3-B

**HUDSON DIVISION**

*Eastern New York*

K2GCH . . . 4818-145-33-ABD  
W2HBC . . . 2755-128-19-ABCD  
K2NZDJ . . . 948-7-8-B  
W2HF/2 . . . 450-45-10-B  
W2UKA . . . 400-50-8-AB  
K2OJB . . . 104-26-4-B  
W2IP . . . 60-15-4-B  
W2TMM . . . 30-15-2-B  
K2HLX . . . 21-7-3-B  
W2TER . . . 2-2-1-B  
6815-235-29-AB  
K2PRB (K2PRB, K2ZCZ) . . . 138-23-6-B

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K2IEJ/2 . . . 8155-233-35-AB  
KN2/K2VIX . . . 2622-138-19-AB

W2AOC . . . 2184-79-21-BC  
W2WOF . . . 1170-46-15-BCD  
K2LIO . . . 1150-115-10-B  
W2VSA . . . 1141-72-13-A  
W2AOD . . . 915-55-15-AD  
K2JWT . . . 876-73-12-B  
KN2VDR . . . 760-95-8-B

K2AZT . . . 630-63-10-A  
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K2TQ . . . 504-72-7-B  
W1JRV/2 . . . 396-30-11-B  
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K2RLW . . . 300-50-6-A  
K2UOY . . . 265-53-5-B  
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W2JQJ . . . 216-27-8-B  
K2SNW . . . 72-24-3-A  
K2JXD . . . 40-10-4-A  
K2PHI . . . 30-10-3-A  
K2CTK . . . 12-12-1-B

W2GFK/2 (W2S FSN GFK, K2CMD) . . . 1512-126-12-B  
K2OZH (W2JL, K2OZH) . . . 496-52-8-B

*Northern New Jersey*

W2FBZ/7 . . . 6048-167-32-ABC  
W2ONV . . . 4760-280-17-B  
W2DWJ . . . 3216-103-24-BCD  
K2LXI . . . 3009-177-17-A  
W2ISK . . . 1507-137-11-B  
K2KIB . . . 1485-135-11-B  
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K2DIG . . . 352-32-8-A  
W2CVW/2 . . . 52-13-4-B  
K2QNT . . . 12-12-1-B  
W2LOY/2 (W2S LOY WCM, K2S AWY GLA) . . . 11818-300-38-ABC  
K2MYQ (K2S MY MYQ) . . . 640-80-8-A

**MIDWEST DIVISION**

*Iowa*

W0SML . . . 3596-116-31-AB  
W0USQ . . . 600-40-15-AB  
W0PYT . . . 210-30-7-B  
K0EMQ . . . 182-26-7-B

*Kansas*

W0QDH . . . 495-33-15-AB

*Missouri*

W0WEQ . . . 2016-96-21-A  
K0JNH . . . 304-29-8-A  
W0LFE . . . 120-24-5-B  
W0WKG . . . 120-24-5-B  
W0YZE . . . 112-16-7-A

*Nebraska*

W0WWN . . . 560-40-14-AB  
W0EET/9 . . . 161-23-7-AB  
W0WRT . . . 81-27-3-AB  
W0EMS . . . 78-26-3-B  
K0NICL/9 . . . 5-1-B  
W0RYG/9 (W0S RYG YOY) . . . 124-31-4-B

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W1FTX . . . 3930-131-30-AB  
W1OSQ . . . 2472-103-24-A  
W1DXE . . . 1884-157-12-B  
W1OAX . . . 1495-115-13-B  
W1BYX . . . 1072-67-16-A  
W1SUZ . . . 1064-56-19-A  
W1TCJ . . . 671-61-11-B  
W1FHP . . . 632-79-8-B  
W1NMEP . . . 500-50-10-B  
W1VNO . . . 495-45-11-A  
W1BIB . . . 328-41-8-B  
W1QJY . . . 294-42-7-AB  
W1AW . . . 288-36-8-B  
W1ORS . . . 270-51-5-B  
K1IAZF . . . 270-45-6-B  
W1WHR . . . 228-38-6-B  
W1RFJ . . . 203-29-7-B  
W1FYE . . . 140-20-7-A  
W1FYE . . . 74-37-2-B  
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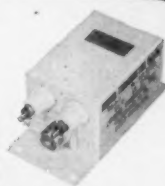
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W1QXX 5175-207-25-AB  
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4400-200-22-A  
W1JYH 32- 8- 4-B  
W1NLF 18- 9- 2-AB  
W1UB 12- 4- 3-A  
W1RFU (W1s EOH JYH  
RFU) 13,584-261-48-AB  
W2AEF/1 (W1RD, K2s  
DVT VXX KN2YU)  
2941-173-17-AB

New Hampshire  
W1UON/1  
13,545-307-43-ABCD  
W1JTB 3451-117-29-ABCD  
W1IQD 150- 25- 6-AB  
W1MHL/1 (5 opers.)  
36,482-592-58-ABCD  
W1WBM/1 (5 opers.)  
1050- 70-15-AB  
W1ASZ/1 (W1s ARR CCE  
W1UZZ) 264- 44- 6-B  
W1PYM/1 (W1s HUB PYM)  
27- 9- 3-B  
W1BSE/1 (W1s BSE WMK)  
8- 4- 2-B

Rhode Island  
W1KCS 8730-181-45-ABCD  
W2BVU/1  
8388-124-36-ABCD  
W1UHE 3724-111-28-AC  
W1ZJQ 1898-146-13-B  
W1CPC 936- 72-13-A  
W1NTR 329- 47- 7-A  
W1CJT 222- 37- 6-A  
W1FEO 24- 8- 3-B  
W1VXL/1 (W1YNE  
K1ABR) 165- 35- 5-B

Vermont  
W1UIZ/1  
16,900-310-50-ABCD  
W1FMK/1  
1526-105-14-AC

W1EXZ 481- 37-13-A  
W3LCC/1 216- 24- 9-A  
W1TFE 176- 22- 8-A  
W1MMN 56- 14- 4-B  
K1AAW (W1BYO, K1AAW,  
KN1BZV) 4048-176-23-AB  
W1NBN/1 (W1s EUJ GEF,  
K1s AFX AHD)  
1180- 59-20-AB

## NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

Idaho  
W7ACD...297- 27-11-A

Montana  
W7EPZ...361- 27-13-A

Oregon  
W7VZZ/7 774- 85- 9-ABD  
W7HHB 280- 56- 5-AB  
W7HIO 44- 22- 2-B  
W7OTV/7 (7 opers.)  
1133-103-11-AB  
W7WRA/7 (W7s WQZ WRA)  
342- 57- 6-A

Washington  
W7PRW 796- 83-12-A  
W7DYD 972- 81-12-A  
W7VOG 750- 75-10-A  
W7RPD 528- 44-12-A  
W7KO 132- 24- 8-AB  
W7DJN 42- 14- 3-A  
W7PUA/7 (8 opers.)  
2072-137-14-ABCD  
W7UZY/7 (3 opers.)  
1288- 92-14-AB  
W7ZOW/7 (6 opers.)  
144- 24- 6-A

## PACIFIC DIVISION

Hawaii  
KH6DQ...14- 14- 1-B  
KH6OS 13- 13- 1-B

Santa Clara Valley  
W6PHC 1695-105-15-AD  
K6HYX 16- 8- 2-B  
W6CDT/6 (W6s CDT ORR  
SUE, K6MZN)  
2496- 93-24-ABD  
K6HWJ/6 (K6s HWJ JEU)  
425- 85- 5-A

East Bay  
W6ASH/6 2496-192-13-AB  
K6RNC 1521-117-13-A  
K6LIN 315- 45- 7-A  
K6ITZ 21- 7- 3-A  
W6EY 15- 5- 3-B

San Francisco  
W6AJF 1827- 80-21-ABD  
K6VXI 280- 56- 5-A  
K6EOW/6 (K6s EOW GOW  
YPI) 2556-142-18-AB

Sacramento Valley  
K6GLJ 588- 49-12-A  
W6PIV 280- 35- 8-AB  
KN6YII 81- 27- 5-B

San Joaquin Valley  
W6GQZ 350- 35-10-AB  
K6TSM/6 (K6s EYN HXZ  
TSK) 9090-288-27-ABCD  
W6HAB/6 (W6HAB, K6s  
IXA RPL SNX)  
680- 68-10-AB

## ROANOKE DIVISION

North Carolina  
W4ZXI 1875- 75-25-AB  
W4CVQ 1000- 50-20-AB  
W4MDA 198- 33- 6-B  
W4NHW 140- 28- 6-B

South Carolina  
W4NWB 392- 28-14-A  
W2BHS/4 144- 24- 6-AB  
W4KSU 14- 7- 2-A

Virginia  
K4LGD 3266-137-23-ABC  
W4JC 1721- 96-15-AB  
K4BNI (K4s BNG BND  
560- 80- 7-B  
W4AA1/A (W4s AAI ALY,  
K4s CHA EKO)  
360- 40- 9-A

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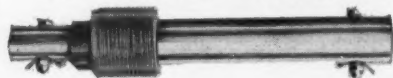
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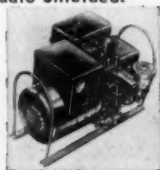
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357- 51- 7-AB

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Colorado

W0IXF...390- 30-13-A  
W0IC...372- 31-12-A  
W0TIL...140- 20- 7-A  
K0CLJ...102- 17- 6-A

New Mexico

W5NSJ...516- 43-12-A

Wyoming

W7ILL...330- 30-11-A

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Alabama

W4AZC...700- 50-14-A  
KN4/K4MRM...616- 44-14-AB  
K4HQ8...119- 17- 7-A  
K4IQU...112- 16- 7-A

Eastern Florida

W4AYV...380- 38-10-AB  
W4RMU...364- 28-13-A  
K4IXG...192- 24- 8-AB  
W4LTU...24- 12- 2-B

Georgia

W4IKK...1120- 66-20-A  
W4FWH...736- 46-16-AB  
W4VZR...132- 22- 6-AB

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Los Angeles

W6NLZ 6669-215-27-ABCDE  
W6PUZ...1104-184- 6-A  
W6BWG 1053- 65-19-AB  
W6NTC 261- 23- 9-ABCDE  
W6PFE...177- 59- 3-B  
W6PRJ 6-100- 50- 2-B  
K6DLY...34- 17- 2-B  
K6TRO...20- 20- 1-A  
K6OEE/8 (7 ops.)  
17,110-610-29-ABCDE  
W6EMM/6 (8 ops.)  
10,800-406 24-ABCDE  
K6TQH/6 (5 ops.)  
3575-324-11-ABD  
K6KCE/6 (W6OJN, K6s  
KCX KCZ)  
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W7QLZ/7...42- 14- 3-A

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1956-163-12-AB  
K6UJL...240- 40- 9-A  
K6BPI...189- 27- 7-AB  
K6QCR...34- 17- 2-A  
K6RDF (11 ops.)  
1860-114-15-ABCD  
K6UGL (K6s UGL UHS)  
752-188- 4-B

Santa Barbara

W6FYW...15- 5- 3-B

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Northern Texas

W5SFW...2794-127-22-A  
W5LFQ...1560- 78-20-A  
W5ERD...548- 72- 9-A  
W5FEG...622- 58- 9-AB  
K5BDL...250- 37- 7-A  
K5DCQ...240- 40- 6-A

Oklahoma

W5DFU...216- 27- 8-AB

Southern Texas

W5HFF...1491- 71-21-AB  
W5LFM...705- 47-15-A  
W5GHL...600- 50-12-A  
W5YCK...184- 23- 8-AB  
W5FPR...170- 17-10-A  
K5BXM...7- 7- 1-A

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Maritime

W1QCC/VE1  
3330-185-18-A  
VE1EF...792- 72-11-A

Ontario

VE3AIB...1400- 96-14-ABC  
VE3BQN...560- 76- 7-BC  
VE3MR...528- 88- 6-B  
VE3AG...495- 99- 5-B  
VE3DSU...477- 58- 9-AB  
VE3AGU...231- 21-11-A  
VE3DUU...220- 55- 4-B  
VE3HV...184- 46- 4-B  
VE3BFB...125- 25- 5-B  
VE3GD...48- 24- 2-B

Quebec

VE2CD...44- 11- 4-B

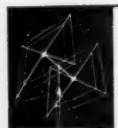
British Columbia

VE7ND...200- 25- 8-A  
VE7NM...147- 21- 7-A  
VE7ACD...102- 17- 6-A  
VE7MT...36- 18- 2-B  
VE7ACV...8- 4- 2-A  
VE7ASM/7 (VE7s AFB ALJ)  
1806-129-14-AB

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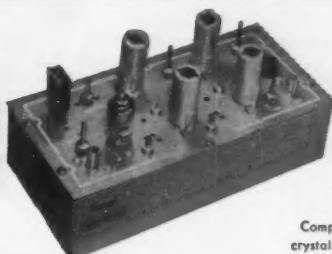
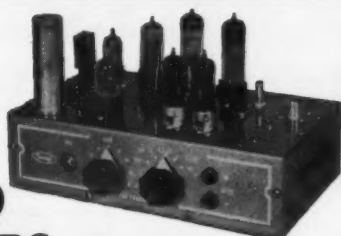
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## Happenings of the Month

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direct legal counsel for any and every amateur who may be involved in some local difficulty, ARRL does concern itself with certain specific cases where the decision of a court may in general affect the rights of all amateurs. In accordance with this policy, the League has litigated through the highest courts of the states of New Jersey and Pennsylvania the question of whether an amateur antenna tower was an accessory use of residential property; both courts ruled that it is.<sup>1</sup> Another state, Minnesota, had earlier reached a similar decision in favor of the amateur tower.

Despite these precedents, in recent years a number of other amateurs planning towers have encountered difficulty with local zoning ordinances, building inspectors and zoning boards. This problem appearing particularly acute on Long Island, approximately two years ago the League selected a suitable case for presentation to the courts. While the case was in process of preparation, independently another amateur tower problem on the Island was brought to a head suddenly and moved into local courts. Upon a request for League assistance, to avoid having two separate cases on the same subject under litigation simultaneously, the League took over the second one, that of Ozzie Presnell, W2HC.

During these past two years, the case has moved through the courts of the state of New York and earlier this year reached the Court of Appeals, highest in the state. We are obliged to report that the decision was in favor of the zoning board. The Court split, five members concurring in the majority opinion, and two members filing a dissenting opinion which expressed the view that the decision should have been in favor of the amateur.

As a result, we now have conflicting law on the subject of whether an amateur tower constitutes an accessory use of residential property. The highest courts of Minnesota, New Jersey and Pennsylvania have found in favor of the amateur; New York has now decided otherwise.

Further procedural steps are now under study by the League and its General Counsel.

### LORAN

In this department of *QST* for July, 1956, we reported the withdrawal from amateur use, in certain locations near the Gulf, of operating privileges in the 1800-2000 kc. portion of the spectrum. This restriction was required during a

<sup>1</sup> *QST*, June, 1951, p. 39; October, 1951, p. 13.

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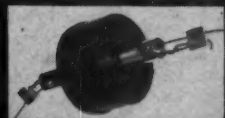


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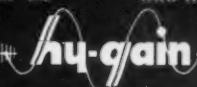
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Previous items in *QST* concerning Canadians wishing to obtain authorization for mobile operation in W-land have included an FCC address which has now been changed. Requests for application forms for such authorization should now be addressed simply to The Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington 25, D. C.

### The World Above 50 Mc.

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#### 420-Mc. Record Moves to Europe

We haven't had a change in our v.h.f. DX records box for more than a year, but now we have two. The KH6UH-W6NLZ record is a jump beyond our fondest expectations in the 2-meter department, and we have a new one for 420 Mc., also. Thanks to our good friend G6CL, of RSGB, we have news of some 420-Mc. work that definitely costs us the record on that band.

This probably should have happened before, for there was a report about two years back of a 420-Mc. QSO across the Mediterranean. We never received complete details on this one, though it appeared to be well beyond the 410-mile record we've carried since June 12, 1954. G6CL tells us that on June 19, at 2232 GMT, G3HAZ, near Birmingham, worked DL3YBA, 16 miles east of Hannover, Germany, on 420 Mc. c.w. Distance appears to be almost exactly 500 miles. We list this tentatively until more details can be obtained from the principals.

With the kind of tropospheric conditions reported for early July on 144 Mc., extension of the 220- and 420-Mc. records in this country would appear to have been waiting merely for some stations in the right spots to have a go at it. With 89 signals over paths of nearly 1000 miles on 144,

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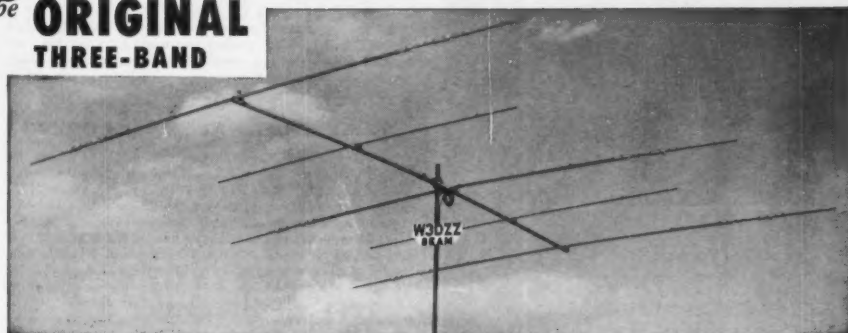
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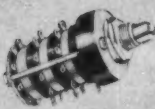
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A new amateur frontier was opened recently when W6NSV and K6YYF worked two-way on 36,500 Mc., the highest frequency yet used for amateur two-way communication, outside of that done with light beams. More details on this one coming up.

### 50-Mc. WAS for W8CMS and W0MVG

The aurora of June 30 posed a difficult choice for W0MVG, Salina, Kan. Jim was hearing states he hadn't worked on 144 Mc., including W4ZXL, Greensboro, N.C., a very rare opportunity, indeed. But there were Oklahoma stations on 6, and as so often is the case with large Middle-Western states, it was only that adjacent one that W0MVG had needed for many months. The choice of 6 for the best period of the aurora netted 50-Mc. WAS Award No. 26, though it was a rough job, with nearly everyone attempting to use voice. Jim thus became the first Kansas 50-Mc. operator to make WAS on 6. (W0ZJB, now a Kansas resident, was in Missouri when he knocked off No. 1 back in 1948.)

Award No. 25, and the distinction of being the first W8 to make 50-Mc. WAS, goes to W8CMS, Newton Falls, Ohio. Eda Williams, W7EPZ, Billings, Mont., played the lead in this drama, becoming the first YL on 6 to provide the final state in a quest for 50-Mc. WAS. We understand that she received a dozen American Beauties along with her QSL, as Claire's expression of gratitude!

W8CMS was given special honors, a case of champagne, and a K8AOC-style WAS certificate at the Northeast Ohio V.H.F. Picnic, held recently at Akron. Some 550 participants were on hand to do honor to Claire, long a leader in Ohio 6-meter circles.

Note to 50-Mc. WAS aspirants: Be sure to send a covering note with your cards for a 50-Mc. WAS award. Two regular WAS certificates have now been issued to applicants who earned 50-Mc. awards, because they sent cards only. Remember—there are thousands of the other kind, and cards for them arrive in nearly every mail.

### Here and There on the V.H.F. Bands

Anyone interested in a 50-Mc. transcontinental relay? W7RGS, Milwaukie, Ore., writes that provision will be made to start a relay from Oregon during the September V.H.F. Party, the week end of the 21st. Four portable stations will provide a network from the Oregon coast to Idaho. From there it is hoped to work W7ACD at Shelley, Idaho, but from there on some additional cooperation is needed. Floyd says that they will give it another whirl in June, if there is interest to warrant the effort. Transcontinental communication is easy on 6 at times, but a relay across the country under dead-band conditions is quite another matter. Volunteers?

One of the mountain expeditions to participate in this effort will climb 11,750-foot Mt. Hood. Members of the Portland Amateur Radio Club with equipment for both 2 and 6 will make the climb. W7VLE, Forest Service Ranger in the Mt. Hood area, is helping with planning. W7OZL, PARC president, has had forestry service experience and knows the problems well. Others in the party include W7HVX and W7ZHF.

Another September expedition is planned by the Phoenix V.H.F. Radio Club. The objective is the San Francisco Peaks, north of Flagstaff, Ariz. Call will be W7VMP/7. Operation is planned for 50, 144 and 420 Mc., from about 1200 MST, Aug. 31 to the same time Sept. 2. The Fenwicks of W7VMP are mountain-topping this summer. Using a 700-watt 144-Mc. rig formerly W9KLR's, they made their first trip to Mesa Verde National Park, near Grand Junction, Colo. This netted contacts on 144 Mc. with W7VMP in Phoenix and W8FAG, Albuquerque, N. Mex., both in the

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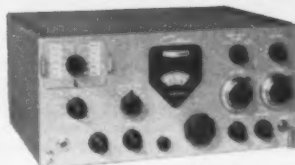


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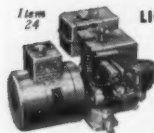
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"first Colorado" category. Meteor pings and one call identification, but no QSO, resulted from evening skeys with W9KLR. On the Colorado expedition were W7s RUC WMK VMO and VMQ. Antennas available for expedition work on 144 Mc. include two Gonset "Big Berthas."

Speaking of states on 144 Mc. having worked W4AIB, Aiken, S. C., July 13, W3NLY now has east of them east of the Mississippi, which may be a "first" as far as we are able to determine. It wasn't so many years ago that a well-known W5 told your conductor, "We've tried 2 meters here again and again, and it simply doesn't work!" One of these days somebody is going to be W 3/4 S on 144 — and if that can happen, how long will it be before a Grand Slam is made on 2. W9KLR and W8KAY lead the pack with 34 each! Perhaps it's not too early to be thinking about an appropriate trophy.

Notice how large 6 and 2 are beginning to loom in the Field Day picture? W1FVZ says that his club, the Bristol County Radio Association, made 134 contacts on 50 Mc., while two rigs working all lower bands managed only a combined total of 179 more. Many hotshot contest clubs now rely on v.h.f. setups for 200 contacts or more. Not a few of these groups would have scoffed at the idea of including 6 and 2 in a serious contest lineup a few years ago.

Largest 6-meter array? Could be the fixed two-tower structure of W4HHK/4, special IGY project of W4HHK and W4GYS. Two 100-foot towers support a 24-element collinear array facing northwest-southwest. This project was taken on especially for IGY purposes, and the antenna was several months in the building. Paul is running regular 50-Mc. skeys with W1HDQ on 50 Mc., and will welcome other skeys along the line of the big beam. His scatter signal at W1HDQ is good enough for more-or-less routine c.w. QSO's when the band is dead, and when there is sporadic-E about the sig is like nothing we've ever heard on 6. More about this project at the National Convention, and shortly in QST.

V.h.f. enthusiasts within driving range of Syracuse should circle Oct. 12 on their calendars. That's when the big V.h.f. Roundup will be held. If you already circled Oct. 5, the date we gave in a previous mention, please move the circle along a week. Don't know how that 5 got in there! More details next month. Your conductor will be there, this time.

Want meteor-scatter skeys with Rhode Island on 144 Mc.? W1KCS has been a good bet in the past, and now W1AJR is willing to give it a whirl. He has up to 500 watts on c.w. and has been doing very well in aurora work.

Not all v.h.f. newcomers are youngsters, by any means. K8ACC, Richland, Mich., who has worked 41 states on 6 since March 27, writes: "I'm 61, and believe me, the Technician ticket is a godsend to fellows who, like myself, start a bit late in life to master the code at 13 w.p.m." He's working on it still, but enjoying life on 6 meanwhile.

Hint from one of the younger 6-meter enthusiasts to those who yearn for larger section multipliers in v.h.f. contests: "Skeys on 50 Mc. with W4IKK and W4RMU in the June V.H.F. Party paid off in additional multipliers. Both QSO's were completed in under 7 minutes, which was less than expected. Seems that this method of fattening section multipliers should be exploited by more v.h.f. men. A good antenna, high receiver selectivity and the willingness to use a key are all that's needed. We have high power in the works, but all our scatter contacts have been made with 50 watts!" — K2ITP, Riverton, N. J. To which we add, "Amen!" Scatter work on 6 gave W1HDQ 5 sections in the June Party. We had skeys with W4IKK and W4RMU, also, but worked them both before skey time.

The Oklahoma Central 6-Meter Net, club style, was organized July 12, with 32 members. They meet on 50.1 Mc. (that frequency, again!) each Sunday at 2030 CST. A certificate of honorary membership is available to anyone who works and QSLs 6 of the members. Send your list of

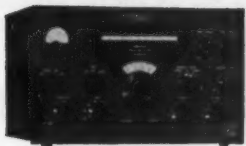
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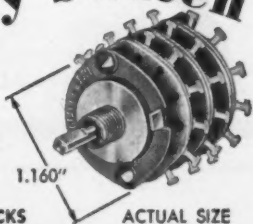
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


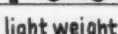
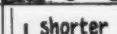
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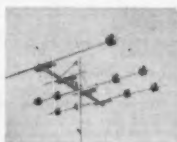
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**BARGAINS:** Reconditioned with new guarantee. Shipped on approval. Hallicrafters S38, \$29.00; S40A, \$69.00; SX99, \$119.00; SX-1, \$149.00; SX100, \$229.00; Viking Adventurer, \$39.00; Viking II, \$199.00; Ranger, \$179.00; Valiant, \$179.00; S40B; S85; SW54; NC98; NC183D; NC183; HQ129X; HQ140X; VHF PR90; AF67; PMR6; PMR7; Collins K387; 75A; 75A4; 32V3; AF67; many other items. Easy terms. Write for list. Henry Radio, Butler, Missouri.

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**SELL:** HQ-129X with speaker and book. In perfect condition, no scratches: \$139 F.O.B. Chumbley, Ga. Don Vaughan, WAMTV, 4511 Briarcliff Rd.

**SELL:** Hallicrafters S-53A, in exc. condx. \$50; Heathkit FM-JA wired, condx. \$10. Will pay shipping. D. Stolke, 608 Lincolnway Valparaiso, Ind.

**DELUXE Low Power station** for sale: Every item in mint condition. Includes NC-183 rcvr with matching spkr, Johnson Viking Ranger transmitter, Johnson Matchbox, Johnson low pass filter, Johnson 100 Kc xtal calibrator, Atatic D-104 microphone with desk stand; Johnson standing wave ratio bridge, Johnson Speed-X straight key and instruction manuals for all equipment. Will send only as complete unit. Free delivery 50 miles radius of New York City. First \$400.00 cash or cashier's check takes it all. K2GXP, 130 Midvale Rd., Mountain Lakes, N. J.

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**WANTED:** Ranger, Viking II, or DX100, receiver, crystal mike. Low price. Write first. K2OUR, 144 Bonnaville, Roelle, N. J.

**FOR SALE:** One Gonsel G-66B rcvr., 3 mos. old, w/Universal power supply, \$180.00; one AT-1 transmitter and AC-1 tuner, \$30. Contact Frank I. Laughner, 46th FTR INTCF Sqdn (ADC), Dover AFB Del.

**SELL:** BC-348 excellent with power supply, speaker, and S-meter, \$60. Leon Sans, W7CEZ, W. 2816 Olympic, Spokane, Wash.

**FOR Sale:** Coast Guard DAE-1, 240 to 2000 K.C. direction finder w/antenna, power supply 6V/425 V, 375 Ma, \$60 and Navy 1000 to 600 K.C. radio receiver (six bands), original cost \$600 for \$45. Both sets unused in original warehouse overseas shipping cases. Information furnished concerning these sets. William S. Loomis, 933 Central Avenue, Highland Park, Ill.

**BC 312** receiver, crystal filter, speaker, \$50; S76 with speaker, \$120; Heathkit VTVM, \$13.75. Tubes, power supplies, chokes, transformers, etc. Send stamp for list. K2JDW, 62 Gaston St., West Orange, N. J.

**SELL:** Crystal frequency standard 7 Mc. 100 Kc. 10 Kc. with crystals and power supply, \$20; Antennascope with Triplett 200 microamp meter, \$12; grid dipper O5T circuit with power supply, \$10. Bedside ragchewer complete 40-80 meter transmitter/receiver, same January CQ, \$30; Q multiplier, \$6; Millen 10035 dial, \$4. K4OBM, 10923 N.E. 9th Court, Miami, Fla.

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**DX-35** with Heath VFO, W570. Power supply and 50 watt modulator or 70. K4CSV, H. Merrill, Box 588, Kingsport, Tenn.

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**FOR SALE:** VHF152A, \$45. List of 2 meter, 420 and surplus gear. Wanted: Silver Model 906 signal generator in good or better condition. Antenna transmitters Model 906-100, 100-100, Dick Haskin, W6KEC, 5608 N. Farna Ave., Arcadia, Calif.

**FOR Sale:** National NC300, \$350; Johnson Pacemaker, \$375; Telrex 5-el. 10-meter beam, \$75, all like new. F.O.B. Westbury, N. Y. W2C0R, 70 Palm Lane.

**VIXING** Valiant wired, used 4 hours, perfect. \$285; Communicator II 113 volt 6/12 volt per July O57. \$135; HQ-100 with clock, calibrator, \$135. Joseph DiLiberti, K2IQZ, 290 Greve Drive, New Milford, N. J.

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**FOR Sale:** Test equipment, low-power transformers, variable capacitors, and other receiving components. Send stamp for list. Cecil Baumgartner, Box 343, Milton, Pa.

**SELL:** DX-35, VF-1, in excellent condx: \$70. K2UMH, 53 Louise St., Delmar, N. Y.

**WANTED:** Band-switching transmitter, suitable for a driver, or a transmitter up to 300 watts, kit or wired, also Matchbox push-to-talk take all make. Write details and price to James Clewley, K8AEV, 1509 Massachusetts St., Lansing, Mich.

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FOR Sale: Complete station for \$500 or separately: NC-300 with speaker, \$300; DX-100 with push-to-talk coaxial relay and tube socket adapters for 807's in final, \$155; Astatic mike with push-to-talk stand, \$20; 3-1/2 band (15-10-20 M) beam (WRL) with approx. 100 ft. coaxial cable, \$70. A-1C Dick Atwood, W7FMM, 77th AC&W sqd., Opeheim, Mont.

INSTRUCTION, General Theory Class beginning Oct. at Jamaica, L.I. Evening Community Center. Data on application, S. Schacht, W1HNG, 13530 212 St., Springfield Gardens, L.I., N.Y.

SELL: Complete station, Globe Scout, mixer; Heath VFO and Q multiplier; Hallicrafters SX-28 rcvr, R-46B speaker; Gotham 4-el, 10-meter beam; rotator and control box; JT-30 mike. Will deliver up to within 75 miles from my QTH. \$225 or best offer. Jerry Bravo, Uniondale, Pa.

SSB transmitter for sale, Eldico 100A, P.E.P. 100 watts output. Full coverage ham bands. In perfect condition: \$495 which is 1/3rd off retail price. K2CIV, Port Patterson, 50 Crescent Lane, Roslyn Heights, Long Island, N.Y.

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FOR Sale: Globe Scout 65-B, -65 watt xmitter, \$72 plus freight. Joe Rodriguez, 571 E. Congress, San Antonio, Tex.

CASH Pickup, in perfect condition, HT9 with coils for all bands, three extra final tubes seventy-five dollars. Walt Dowder, W2MUC, Shinnepo, N.Y.

COLLINS 310B-1 with National N840-SL in final tank circuit. TVI suppressed, in gud condx, \$125; LM-13 freq. meter with mod. power supply and calibration book, \$65. W8VMG, 826 Lane Blvd., Kalamazoo, Mich.

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FOR Sale: Johnson Viking II complete with all up-to-date modifications plus push-to-talk, matching VFO, and low-pass filter. Selling to go high power on VHF. \$250.00 or best offer. PMR6 mobile receiver. Best offer, J. B. Harwell, Jr., Gurdon, Arkansas, W5JWL.

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SELL: BC779A rcvr and power supply unit, \$125; transformer 1.5 KVA at 500 miles. One amp Class B xfrmr, matches Class B 810's to Elmac 250T8's or similar load. Also chokes, filter condx, plate filter, filament xfrmr, all from one kilowatt plus rig of Ex-W2VJ. Two-cent post card of inquiry for items too numerous to list to W2LXI, 37 Hoover Ave., Bloomfield, N.J.

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SALE: Six P.M. dynamotors, three ZA/VSA0515, three ZA/VSA-0516; excellent condition, \$3.50 each. J. T. Hoffman, W4MNV, North Jackson St., Tullahoma, Tenn.

NC300 receiver, new, with warranty, \$315; B&W No. 300 freq. meter, \$99.00; Tele. beam, No. 1531, 3-el, 15 ft., \$72.00; No. 203A 20 mtr. 3-el, \$80; Morrow MBR5 receiver, \$185; none used, all postpaid. Send for free list of more excellent gear. Cash only for new QTH. No trades. W9MOT, 4845 N. 64th St., Milwaukee 18, Wisconsin.

SELL: Hallicrafters S-76 receiver, \$105; matching R-46 speaker, \$10. Will sell either separately or together. Equipment in original condition, prices F.o.b. Paul S. Chenoweth, RFD No. 2, Otterbein, Ind.

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FOR Sale: Modified SCR-522, mounted in 3 ft. enclosed rack, heavy-duty power supply, \$40; RME-70 rcvr and ntr, \$30; Hallicrafters S-52, \$40; Harvey-Wellis TBS-50 with power supply, \$35, pair EE-84 field telephones, \$10. A. W. Speyers, W2CZA, 39 Lowell Ave., Summit, N.J.

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VOCALINE JRC-400, Citizens band transceivers, brand new, complete with mics, antennas and 6 and 110V cables. The whole works for \$99.50 for the pair. Jim Leonard, W4FPS, P.O. Box 2360, Roanoke, Va.

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SELL: Viking II with LP filter and coax relay, \$225; Heath VFO, \$15; NC183 with speaker, \$185; Viking Mobile xmitter, \$75; Elmac PMR6 rcvr with supply, \$85; all-band mobile antenna with mount, \$15. All equipment in excellent condx. Rev. C. R. Wilson, Rte 1, Spartanburg, S.C.

FOR Sale: Harvey-Wellis TBS-50D with APS-50 pwr supply, \$100; Eldico MT-2 2m. transmitter, \$30; Gonset 2m. converter, \$25; Gonset Tri-Band converter, \$30; complete 100 amp. Leese-Neville system, \$50; 6V6 tube, \$40.00V, 375 tubes, 120V dynamotor, \$40.00V, system only 230V, 100 Ma., \$3; dual 6V Motorola Vibrator supply, \$10. Wanted: BC221-AK and teletype TD-14, Don Scher, W2KDW, 11 Webster St., Irvington, N. J. Tel. ES 5-7193.

FOR Sale: The following Lab instruments: Audio generator, VTVM, 215 Simpsonizer, Precision condenser, variable inductor, Variac, Leo A. Holbrook, 199 Main St., Montpelier, Vt.

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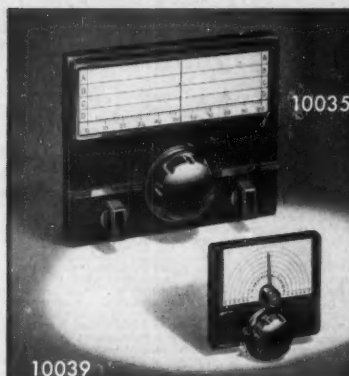
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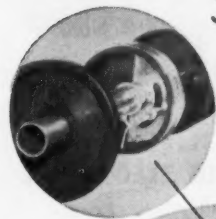
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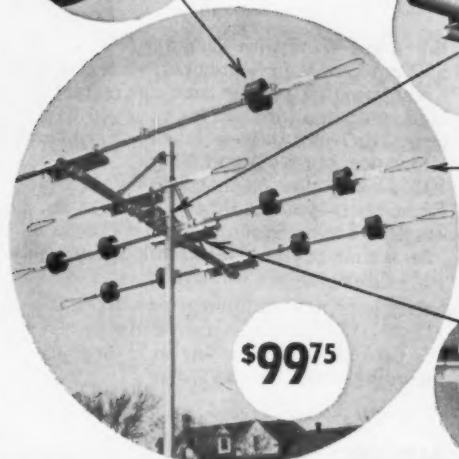
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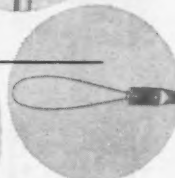
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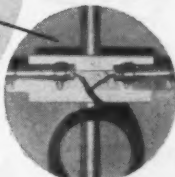
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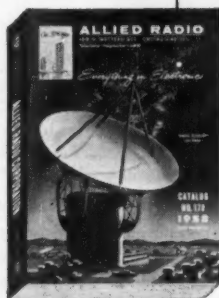
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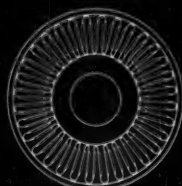
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DC Screen Voltage	250	250	Volts
DC Grid Bias	-88	-88	Volts
DC Plate Current	250	250	Ma
DC Screen Current (approx.)	24	24	Ma
Driving Power	1.5	2.5	Watts
Power Output (approx.)	260	370	Watts